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Analysis of President Reagan's State of the Union Message as the election campaign gets into its stride

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Spectrum discovers how an American dissident came out of prison to become a thoroughly



Cross . . .

Who owns the Cross of Yeshu? Philip Howard explains all - and takes sides

Rex Bellamy previews a tennis tournament designed to encourage the development of new British players

Friday Page discovers how life begins to pass by the woman who is out

Shipyards efficiency deal agreed

British Shipbuilders announced an agreement at national level with unions over productivity and working practices which it said placed the industry "alongside northern Europe" on competitivity. Earlier the com-pany said it is to cut 1,872 jobs and shut three yards in the next

Exports recover to record level

Exports at record levels helped push Britain's current account surplus last year to £2 billion for times the amount forecase by the Treasury last November. The suprise improvement fol-

Bishop's attack

The Bishop of Birmingham, Dr Hugh Montefiore, has strongly attacked The Times for its "prejudiced and ill-founded" criticism of The Queen's Christ-mas broadcast Report, page 2 Letters, page 8 Powell's reply, page 12

Irish Budget

The Irish Republic's Budget put 2p on the price of beer, 2p on cigarettes, 6p on a gallon of petrol and VAT on clothes.

£3.5m tax case

Five men will face magistrates at Harrow, north London, today charged with Vat and Inland Revenue offences involving the alleged evasion of up to £3.5m

Civil wedding

A disabled former soldier who was refused a Catholic wedding, said he would marry in a register office, although the church had reversed its decision

Disaster inquiry

Safety officials began investigating the sinking of the cargo ship Radiant Med off Guernsey in which 17 crew drowned. Seven of the nine crew rescued were released from hospital.

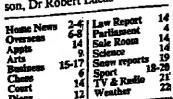
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The posthumous autobiography of Luis Buunel; Alasdair Clayre's posthumous book about China; Dashiel Hammett; Stuart Evans on fiction; Trevor Phillips on British Blacks, Freemasons.

Obituary, page 14 The Very Rev Thomas Murchison, Dr Robert Lucas more women will now complain about these price



GCHQ staff lose union rights in security crackdown

By Julian Haviland, Political Editor

Staff employed in the secret gathering of signals intelligence at the Government Communications Headquarters, at Cheltenham, were vesterday de-prived of their right to union

membership.
Ministers acted from fear that normal trade union activity, if continued, might lead to breaches of security and renewed disruption, as happened between 1979 and 1981, of work which Sir Geoffrey Howe, the Foreign Secretary, described in the Commons yesterday as of crucial importance to national

security.
Sir Geoffrey's announcement was received with resentment by leaders of Civil Service trade unions, and surprise by the Opposition in Parliament.

Labour MPs were reluctant to accept his assurances that the Government's decision was in response solely to past indus-trial activity at the Cheltenham base, of which there has been no

recurrence since 1981.

Mr Merlyn Rees, the former
Labour Home Secretary, said governments did not act in such a way unless something had happened. Sir Geoffrey, ni reply, said the earlier industrial disruption, and damaged confi-dence in the releability of the

organization.

Ministers ad acted, he said repeatedly, only after long and serious consideration.

Sir Geoffrey acted by signing certificates yesterday under the Employment Protection Act, 1975, and the Employment Protection (Consoldiation) Act,

last night branded the Government's proposed buy-out of union membership at GCHQ as

3,000 members.
They said that the Foreign

Secretary's reasons were a lie"

up for American pressure on the Cabinet to break union resist-

ance to the introduction of lie-

detectors into sensitive defence

The Council of Civil Service

Unions is demanding an early meeting with Mrs Thatcher in her role as head of the Civil

Service to try to dissuade the

Government from going ahead with de-recognition of the five

The TUC will be brought into

the dispute today.

Mr John Sheldon, general
secretary of the Civil Service

Union which has the largest

number of GCHQ members,

described the ex-gratia payment offered by Sir Geoffrey as "an offensive bribe". "They already

have the loyalty of these people.

It was proved in 1981, when

despite the pay dispute all security work at Cheltenham

Hair cut

cost 'not

sex bias'

By a Staff Reporter

A judge said yesterday that

women must expect to pay more than men at hairdressing

Judge Ward dismissed a claim in Hereford County Court

by Mrs Nina Waldock of

Cimbolton, near Leominster,

Hereford and Worcester, that

the Keith and Peter salon at

Hereford had discriminated

against her by charging £7.50

for a snampoo, cut and blow

dry while charging her husband

The judge said that he accepted the evidence by the

salon's co-owner, Mr Keith

Whitney, that greater expertise

was required in the cutting and styling of a women's hair than a

man's. He said blow dying was

part of the styling for a woman

but only a drying operation for

He said Mrs Waldock might

have proved discrimination if

she had specifically asked for

her hair to be treated in the

After the case Mrs Waldock,

who brought the action with the

support of the Equal Oppor-

tunities Commission, said she

had received exactly the same

service as her husband. "My

hair is short and needed no

more treatment than his. I hope

Mr Whitney commented

pay more for their haircuts."

same way as a man's.

differences."

£4 for the same service.

a man.

and the official version a

installations.

"Judas money" and predicted ous downright lie. Trade union that it would be rejected by members are just as patriotic

certificates is to remove recog-nition of trade unions at the in the Industrial Relations Act, 1971, later repealed.

nition of trade unions at the Cheltenham headquarters, and to make it a condition of service for both present and new employees that they must belong only to an approved staff

industrial action of any descrip-from civil servants in the tion will be liable to disciplinary Foreign Office or workers in

proceedings.
Sir Geoffrey announced that staff who remain at Cheltenham will each receive a payment of £1,000 in recognition of their loss of rights. They will have the option of moving to other jobs and very imprudent. in the Civil Service or taking other employment.

Sir Geoffrey added that yesterday's decision would not create a precedent, and that ministers did not intend to take similar action outside the

security and intelligence field.

Under pressure from Mr
Denis Healey, for Labour, and
Dr David Owen, for the Social Democratic Party, he said that the special provisions, which could be used only to safeguard national security were contained in statutes passed under a Labour administration, and were "already applied to other aspects of the security service".

Although Sir Geoffrey was not specific, action was taken in 1971 by a Conservative Government, and in 1976 by a Labour Government, to disal-low union membership in the 978. security service and the secret intelligence service. In the first US demand for introduction

of lie-detectors blamed

By Paul Routledge, Labour Editor

Civil Service union leaders continued. To offer them Sir Robert Armstrong, cited the

and loyal as any other civil

Union leaders were called to

The head of the civil service,

afternoon to be told of the

want to jour

Foreign Office move.

responsible.

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f1,000 must suggest that it is implications of the lengthy 1981 unpatriotic to belong to actuade union, and that is a mischievalunification.

members are just as patriotic cover-up. The real reason for

Mr Healey said that the two services were small bodies of professional men, but the Chelienham headquarters was completely different in its importance and in the secrecy New terms of employment importance and in the secrecy will mean that staff who take of its work, not differing much from civil servants in the from civil servants in the

armaments industries.

All had the right to industrial organization and had not

Mr Dennis Skinner, loudest early retirement, for which among the Labour objectors, terms in the Civil Service said that fascists had always compare well with those in used national security the chip used national security the chip away at hard-won liberties, especially among the trade unions. More traitors came from Eton and Harrow than from the trade unions.

Government circles, habitually mute about the work at Chehenham, would not even put a figure on the size of the workforce yesterday. Dr Owen, a former Foreign Secretary, said it was 5,000.

Ministers explained yesterday's step by emphasizing that the disruption at Cheltenham three years ago, at the height of the Civil Service dispute, was severe, and that 33 "man-years" were lost through industrial action between 1979 and 1981. The effect of the disruption was said to have continued for some time after normal working was

Secrets in peril, page 2

Mr Sheldon said: "This is a

the announcement is that they

are having pressure put on them to introduce the polygraph, to

which we are opposed on the

civil liberties. It is the USA

putting the pressure on the Government about its security

Mr Alastair Graham, general secretary of the largest White-hall union, the Civil and Public

Services Association, said: "I would have expected this from General Jaruzelski in Poland,

but not from a Prime Minister

of a democratic state. I do not

believe that people's civil and

trade union liberties can be bought for £1,000."

The union believes that ministers think the access enjoyed by full-time union officials to their members at

GCHQ is a potential security hazard as they are not positively vetted. But nearly three years ago union leaders were warned

that the United States and other

returned the fire and destroyed

A French humanitarian orga-

French pilot killed as

Chad rebels down jet

From Diana Geddes, Paris

A French pilot has been shot down and killed in Chad, the Defence Ministry announced here last night. It is believed a air missiles house and one

Russian Sam7 missile was air missiles, however, and one

man killed in combat since troops were sent five months ago to support the Government of President Hissène Habre doctors and lodged a protest in least the library backed.

against the Libyan-backed Tripoli with the Libyan

M Charles Hernu, the De- nization said the Belgian doc-

sence Minister, said a column at tors had been taken two days

about 20 vehicles crossed the earlier by what it believed to be

"red line", which divides the the same 'column from the

rebel-held north from the south; north. The organization ident-

and attacked the military ified the assailants as Libyans.

Reagan message for nation From Nicholas Ashford

Optimistic

Washington

Buoyed by new poll ratings showing strong public approval of his performance, President Reagan yesterday put the finishing touches to an optimis-tic "State of the Union" address which was seen as the opening shot in his campaign to seek reelection for a second

The theme of his address, which he was due to deliver before the joint Houses of Congress last night, was that under his Administration the United States had moved "from the problems of the 1970s to the solutions of the 1980s".

nationallyaddress was expected to emphasize his accomplishments over the past three years. especially the country's present economic recovery, and also to assure Americans that his defence build-up has made the world a safer place. Officials said the speech would

not contain any new foreign policy initiatives, but the President would reemphasize his desire for improved relations with the Soviet Union and his hopes for a revival of arms control negotiations. He would also reiterate US policy on Lebanon - an issue which is causing growing public concern in the US - and on Central

America.
On the domestic front the President would focus on the success his administration has had on bringing inflation down and spurring the present economic recovery. Although he had no new proposals for reducing the country's huge budget deficit – estimated to be around \$200 billion (£138 billion) in the fiscal year 1985 he was expected to announce plans for far-reaching changes



yesterday Mr Reagan preparing to deliver his

Dollar will weaken soon, says Regan By Sarah Hogg, Economics Editor

dollar will weaken by spending cuts across the 1984 as American spectrum. He said that this rates fall further, actional Mr Donald Regan, gramme: "There is no budget during 1984 as American interest rates fall further, acthat cannot be cut."

cording to Mr Donald Regan, the US Treasury Secretary. He said it would "defy economic history" for the dollar to remain strong while the United States continued to run a big current account deficit on its balance of

payments.

Mr Regan was replying to questions from financial journalists in seven European cities (London, Bonn, Paris, Brussels, The Hague, Rome, and Geneva) for whom the American Government had arranged simultaneous live satellite links with Washington. Most of the questioning

A train trapped in the snow north of Tyndrum, Argyllshire, yesterday. Blizzards stranded

several trains as points and brakes froze, and lines blocked.

focused on the American budget week's budget figures would indicate a fall in the deficit of \$10 billion between the fiscal years 1983 and 1984, and a similar decline for the following

He admitted that the deficit was "troublesome", but insisted this year's would not prevent a fall in interest rates, which he implied might drop by as much

Reagan Administration was considering tax increases after the presidential election in November, arguing that the budget deficit could be bridged

as three percentage points.

Mr Regan denied that the

Mr Regan said he expected American growth to continue at a rate of 4.5 per cent this year, and inflation to remain at about 4 per cent. This, he argued, would help to reduce the budget

forecasts. He responded angrily to a question suggesting that Europeans were financing the American budget deficit. He said that Europeans were buying fewer US Treasury securities than before President Reagan took

invest. In a somewhat contradictory answer later, however he said that the dollar would weaken this year when Ameri-

can interest rates came down. direct connexion between the size of the budget deficit and the level of interest rates. And he insisted that the deficit was "stimulatory" to the economy, and to those economies like Britain which export to the United States.

deficit by more than present

office. He also denied that capital was attracted purely by deficit. Mr Regan said that next high interest rates.

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Mr Regan said the health of Mr Regan said the health of a particularly attractive place to

He argued that there was no

Britain on new blizzard alert

By Richard Evans and Ronald Fanx

Emergency services in north-ern Britain were braced last night for more severe blizzards. while winds up to hurricane force were predicted for the English Channel.

Up to nine inches of snow, accompanied by gales and accompanied by gales and freezing temperatures, were forecast for northern England and southern Scotland last night and today.

Last night, the London Weather Centre was unable to say when there would be a let up in the conditions which have

up in the conditions which have gripped much of Britain since the weekend. "Some places will certainly experience blizzards

again, especially over the hills".

a spokesman said.

The North-west took the brunt of the bad weather vesterday, with six inches of snow falling in Manchester in snow falling in Manchester in less than three hours. In some areas ambulance crews are dealing only with emergency

The search for two soldiers missing on the Cairngorms since Sunday was abandoned last night. Earlier troops from the Air Service Regiment joined in the search as civilian rescue teams stood down. Four members of the regiment who had been on a local training exercise were among 80 searchers who probed deeply-drifted snow in a final attempt to find Staff Sergeant Paul Rodgers, aged 29, and Colour Sergeant Bill Scott,

aged 35. "Short of a miracle, there is no chance of finding them alive", an Army spokesman

said last night.

The National Farmers Union said yesterday that thousands of said yesterday that missing and sheep were now missing and helicopters were standing by in Scotland to lift fodder to isolated livestock. In Cumbria mountain rescue teams were helping farmers reach flocks stranded or buried on the fells. A boy aged 10, who went

A boy aged 10, who went missing overnight from his home in Lincolnshire was found yesterday wandering around in freezing conditions. Christopher Hill, of Roman Bank, Skegness had spent the night sleeping rough and was found half a mile from his home.

In Wales, a man was in a critical condition in hospital after falling about 50 feet down a mountainside ravine where he lay in the snow overnight. Mr. John Griffiths, aged 43, of Cwmavon, near Port Talbot, was found by a rescue party of foresters who followed his footprints in the snow to the edge of the drop.

He had fallen about 500 feet

down a very steep bank". Mr Stanley Heaven, one of the rescuers, said. "He is lucky to have survived." In the Borders region, snow-

ploughs and blowers worked flatout to clear the main trunkroads across the border. The M6, A47 and A1 roads Leading article, page 13 | Continued on back page, col 3

Bairstow backs **Boycott**

Yorkshire's captain, David Bairstow, said yesterday in Muscat that he would have no objection to the county's former captain, Geoff Boycott, rejoin-

captain, Geoff Boycott, rejoining Yorkshire next season.

Bairstow, who is in Muscat with a team of English Test cricketers to play against an Indian selection XI, said: "I'd welcome Geoff back into the team and so would most of the Yorkshire players." He added that there would be no dispute over the club's captaincy

Ray Illingworth, who led Yorkshire to the John Player League title last season, said yesterday that he was not going to play for the county again. The former England captain

explained that he was not prepared to put up any longer with the shouting and bawling which he had endured last season from some sections of

the crowd.
Illingworth stops playing

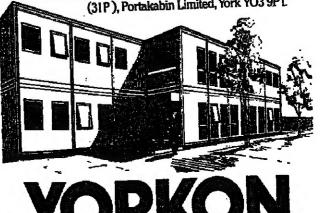
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outpost of Ziguey, to the west. Sources in Paris said the beld by President Habre's French pilot had managed to Doctors attacked over out-of-hours care suggested the voice of those

By Nicholas Timmins

The pilot is the first French-

forces of former President Government.

General practitioners should not use deputizing services as an "alternative service" to the family doctors' tradition of providing out-of-hours care, the Royal College of General Practitioners said yesterday.

Doctors working for deputiz-ing services should also be fully qualified as family doctors, a committee of the college has recommended. The committee's report,

which is being sent for consultation to all 11,000 members, recommends that a working party with govern-ments, doctor and patient representative should examine Our win has saved men all byer the country from having to the issue of out-of-hours care. "Out-of-hours care at any

have "effectively opted out of out-of-hours care by using commercial deputizing services as a total substitute for

secretary, said it agreed there was a role for deputizing services but they should not be used as an alternative service to cover all weekend, night and

themselves and their partners". Dr Bill Styles, the college's

evening work.
The committee's report iollows proposals by Mr Kenneth Clarke, Minister for Health, to restrict the use of deputizing services and to tighten up on

partnerships of two would be restricted to using them three nights a week and on alternate weekends. Family doctors' leaders in

the British Medical Association have condemned the proposals as "draconian" Dr Styles pointed out that fewer than 45 per cent of family doctors use deputizing services, and half of those make only

occasional use of them.

He said: "That means that more than two-thirds of me profession provide all or much of their out-of-hours cover." He

who do their own night and weekend cover had not been heard much in the current The college committee also

argues that family doctors working for deputizing services should have undergone the full three years' training for general practice. Mr Clarke's proposals is that deputies should normally have had that training, but must have only six months' experience of general

The college said it would be inconsistent to allow doctors who would not legally be allowed to be principals in general practice to treat patients out of hours unsupervised.Griffiths report, back page

Under these proposals doctors integral part of general practices of three or more would be expected to time of the day or night is an provide cover without deputizemphasizes that it is opposed to ing services, and single-handed practitioners and those in the stance of those doctors who

British Shipbuilders is to voluntary procedures and trans-overheads", ted another 1,872 jobs and fers". Talks in London between builders said. shed another 1,872 jobs and shut down three yards in the next two months, it announced

I he yards due for closure are Confederation of Shipbuilding and Engineering Unions broke Tyne, where 405 jobs will go; up temporarily confederation of Shipbuilding and Engineering Unions broke type. Goole Shipbuilders, on Humberside (365 jobs), and Henry
Robb, on the Firth of Forth
delegates and were meeting
management again later last
night for further talks.

will most severely affect Clyde-side, where 300 jobs will go, at Govan Shipbuilders and 35 at

Ferguson-Ailsa.
On Tyneside, 135 jobs go at Clark Hawthorn, six at Wallsend Slipway and five at K.L. Marine, Newcastle upon Tyne. year. Sunderland Forge on Wearside loses 48 jobs, Brooke Marine at Lowestoft, Suffolk, will lose 140 and 50 jobs will go at Vickers a small order which could only shippened at Barrony.

British Shipbuilders said

British Shipbuilders, led by the company's chairman, Mr Graup temporarily yesterday after three and a half hours.

Union leaders briefed yard

None of the negotiators was

available for comment, but the British Shipbuilders' statement said the three yards were without work and were ex-pected to lose £4m between them in the present financial

have brought employment for one sixth of the men and would yesterday that the redundancies have produced significant losses Line, is said to would be sought "initially by because "of under-recovery of particular interest.

There was no prospect of new work in the reasonable future ham Day and leaders from the which would cut losses and

 Shop stewards at Scott Lithgow will meet today to discuss the next move in their fight to stop the yard's closure.

They plan to take their campaign, aimed at saving 4,500 jobs, to businesses, factory gates and city centres across Scotland.

Three hundred men laid off at the yards on the lower Clyde last Friday are now on the fourth day of a "work-on". The yard faces closure because of the cancellation by Britoil of its order for an

pany, believed to be the Trafalgar House conglomerate, owners of the Cunard Shipping

Benn campaign to be Radioactive gas risk tailored for TV in home By Philip Webster, Political Reporter

Mr Wedgwood Benn's Ches-It was being empahasized last terfield by-election campaign is night that such an arrangement expected to be the first tailored would provide ample opporby the Labour Party to the tunities for questioning Mr demands of radio and tele-Benn and was not designed to "squeeze out" journalists,

vision.
Labour's campaign organizers are set to break with the tradition established by Mr Morgan Phillips, a former party secretary, in the 1960s that would be some press confer-ences attended by Mr Benn and priority should be given to the shadow ministers but that, writing press and abandon the contrary to earlier suggestion, daily early morning press conference at which the candithere would be no press conferences at which Mr Benn date and other senior party figures hold a question and

answer session. It is denied that the new Instead, media gatherings are tactics, if agreed, are designed to protect Mr Benn or the party by expected to be organized at different locations in Chesterpreventing detailed questioning field where the potential for on policy issues, although in good television pictures will be practice that may prove to be more difficult if there are fewer far greater than in the usually dull surroundings of the local Labour Party office. opportunities for concerted

TUC looks Irish beer at changes and petrol prices rise in strategy From Richard Ford

The Irish Government yes-

erday introduced a cautious

high cost of drink, petrol and

It also caused surprise by

introducing value-added tax at 8 per cent on clothing, except

Social security benefits were

increased by 7 per cent and the 25 per cent tax band eliminated,

for Finance, promised reform of

He said that the country was

still in a difficult position and

urged workers to keep income

saying the government had

made no provisions for pay rises in the public sector this

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Mr Alan Dukes, the

Ireland's tax system

budget but increased the already

By Our Labour Editor

Trade union leaders yesterday set in motion a fundamental review of the labour movement designed to win back the authority of the TUC and reverse the trend of falling

membership.
The TUC General Council agreed to circulate a discussion. paper on future strategy. Introducing the documents,

Mr Len Murray, said that out of the exercise would come a removing 15,000 low income willingness to make changes in earners from liability. The 35 trade union structure that are per cent rate was widened. pattern of industry.

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In the final edition on Tuesday it was incorrectly stated that Sir Geoffrey Johnson-Smith, Conservative MP for Wealden, had abstained in the vote on the rate support grant report. He voted with the Govern-

The radioactive gas seeps into houses from the ground underneath or from building materials. However, a board spokesman said that there was

something that has suddenly arisen. Yet in a report published by

not always at levels of no concern. Some indoor exposures are high enough to suggest the implementation of

granite areas because of the presence of manium in the granite. High levels of the gas have been detected in some parts of Devon and Cornwall and the board is now conduct-

The Bishop of Birmingham, Dr Hugh Montefiore, has accused *The Times* of "thinly

disguised racism" in criticizing

the Queen's Christmas broad-

private function in Sutton

Coldfield that the article

Dr Montesiore later told the

Press Association his address

was also aimed at Mr Enoch

Powell, MP for Down South,

whose criticism of the Queen's message led to the article in The

The Queen had merely asked

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cast in a leading article.

Or Montehore said at a of it they have not been able to

misrep-

Action may be needed to combat a radioactive gas, called Radon, that builds up usturally in some homes and can cause lung caucer if breathed over a long period, according to the National Radiological Protec-

no reason for panic. He added: This is not winter here to take advantage of the good weather for intensive building work.

the board yesterday, it says: "Natural radiation doses are

control measures."

The gas is most common in

since the end of the fighting at about 700,000 man-days. Ex-plosives disposal experts are Times accused of

British military activity in the Falkland Islands since their

recapture from Argentina has

been the surge of activity by the Royal Engineers in each of the last two South Atlantic

summers.
Around September large

numbers of corps members

have travelled south to join

colleagues who have spent the

At present there are about 1,200 sappers, making the largest army contingent on the

Their tasks included repair-

ing and extending the runway at

Stanley airport, roadworks and battlefield clearance, and the

construction of camps, power stations and sites for radar

stations and Rapier ground-to-

by poorer nations to relieve

poverty, he said in the Sutton Coldfield speech.

the Commonwealth, and if her critics do not like her definition

As for hearing less about an appropriate sentiment from the

less than 47 sovereign indepen-

"I have seldom been so angry!
as I find myself at this
prejudiced and ill-founded attack upon our beloved sover-

eign. It is thinly disguised

Art funding

report

rejected

By David Hewson

Arts Correspondent

The Government has whole

heartedly rejected the core of a

report from the education, science and arts select com-

mittee which proposed radical

changes in support for the arts.

A White Paper published yesterday dismissed some of the

select committee's key rec-

etson in lour, and of no

Powell's view, page 12

come up with a better one."

dent countries?

He said: "She is the head of

One estimate puts their effort

sappers have been doing will be taken over by the Property Services Agency, which is the normal arrangement in most areas where British military

A step towards disengage ment takes place today when ARC Construction becomes responsible for the operation of the quarry near Stanley Airport, which the sappers have been working for 18 months.

forces are stationed.

Mr Michael Heseltine, visiting a Rapier site during his recent Falklands visit.

some of it for road making.

From April 1 responsibility for

the construction work which the

There are some qualms within the Army as to whether the agency can take over the construction efficiently in April, and there is a feeling that it is being dilatory in making known its arrangements for the chan-

Sappers pulling out of Falklands One of the great features of believed to have removed about

As the changes proceed, the 2,500,000 pieces of ordnance sapper presence will be reduced gradually. From April it will be about 450 men, and by March, 1985, it will have fallen to 150, that were lying around the islands, and they have quarried about 400.000 tons of stone, largely engaged in maintenance. Now most of that is to end.

Colonel John Kitching, the Royal Engineers commanding officer in the Falkiands, rates their experience there highly for the breadth of task it has provided. He says: "I cannot remember us having filled every part of out war role over period of 18 months before".

 The Falklands conflict was a great boon to Nato, Dr Joseph Luns, its retiring secretary general, says in an interview in Jane's Defence Weekly pub-lished yesterday (the Press Association reports).

"If in Moscow the impression had become so certain that never, whatever the provo-cation or circumstances, never would you use force to redress blatant injustice, it would be very bad for West Berlin."

Camera watch on

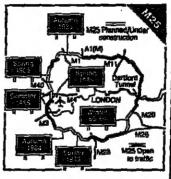
inch of the section of the M25 London orbital motorway through Epping Forest, which opened yesterday.

cameras, each capable of being swivelled, raised or lowered, or

to cover the 120-mile length of what seems certain to become Britain's busiest, as well as its most important, motorway. Overloading is predicted before the end of the decade.

yesterday's opening by Mr Nicholas Ridley, Secretary of State for Transport, that the system will be used initially to monitor and control traffic, but admitted that it could be used for criminal detection, in the same way that cameras and videos are used to film bank

Other advance equipment on the new stretch, includes ice brighten automatically to match reports).



up to 100,000 vehicles a day the Dartford Tunnel which takes the motorway under the Thames.

yesterday that tunnel tolls would be abolished to speed traffic, but one expert predicted that congestion would be so bad by the end of this year that the Government would be forced into doing so.

sociation commented yesterday: "With no service areas on the M25 drivers face the prospect of detectors, powerful fans that an 82-mile drive between the operate automatically if fumes Toddington services on the M1 build up in the two tunnels, and and Farthing corner services on tunnel lights that dim or the M2," (the Press Association

Under a secret 1946 treaty, Britain and the United States parcel out the world between them for the purposes of gathering signals and electronic intelligence. Its constant supply is deemed vital for the monitoring of the military and dialogue. ing of the military and diplomatic intentions of the Soviet Union and the Warsaw pact

to restore the intelligence flow.

The National Security Agency, the US equivalent of the Government Communications Headquarters (GCHO) in Cheltenham, which is to be de-unionized, funds a substantial proportion of the British effort in this expensive, capital intensive branch of espionage, It provides advanced equipment and seconded personnel for Cheltenham's world-wide network of listening posts, known as the Composite Signals Organization. The product is

pooled and analysed jointly.

On March 9, 1981, the first day of the dispute, Washington was inceused when a walkout of technicians closed the station on Ascension Island, the West's listening post in the South Atlantic, and the tracking station at Bude in Cornwall

gathering from Scarbourough (which listens in to the North Sea and the Baltic), to the UK Sovereign Base in Cyprus and Little Sai Wan, the Hongkong station. The biannual exercise, Wintex '81, in which Nato nations simulated the transition to war with the Warsaw Pact was also affected.

last 38 years was also strained with the conviction of the secret codes a former GCHQ linguist, Geof-German, Ital frey Prime, for spying for armed forces. At the insistence of the

Reagan Administration, the British Cabinet was forced to approve the application of liedetectors, or polygraphs, to members of the security and intelligence agencies. The Civil Service unions objected on civil libertarian and efficiency grounds, arguing that US to be highly unreliable. At a meeting with the unions

on July 8, Sir Robert Armstrong insisted that the Government would press ahead with the introduction of a pilot scheme at Cheitenham, However, as the He too would not find the use of the polygraph attractive. But the Security Commission [which reported on the Prime affair) said it was the one thing area. that might have deterred Prime."

The security service, MI5. has been very active at Cheltenham since the uncovering of Prime investigating persistent, although as yet unproved, suspicions that he had not acted alone. There have been indications recently that fears are growing that another official was involved and several individuals have been under

recognition had no connection an important element in the

1981 Civil Service dispute

Intelligence efforts were imperilled

Sir Robert Armstrong, Sec-retary of the Cabinet, admitted worries. The decision, stemmed retary of the Cabinet, admitted solely from the assessment of the that the five-month solely from the assessment of the case o Civil service dispute in 1981 seriously imperilled Britain's intelligence efforts. He was Government's determination that the vital raw material of speaking at a meeting in the Cabinet Office with the general secretaries of Whitehall unions. British intelligence shall not be jeopordized again.

The agency employs 10,000 people at Cheltenham and around the world, some 60 per The Government has never published its assessment of the damage inflicted by the dispute cent of whom belong to unions three years ago. However it led to instant and insistent pressure It now seems that the Cabinet has been contemplating such a move for three years. It was decided to wait until the 1983 from the Reagan Adminis-

tration that ministers intervene election was past as it was "such a big step to take ". In the aftermath of Prime there are unconfirmed reports that MI5 has uncovered a small Militant Tendency cell at Cheltenham. It is said to consist of about six people who belong to the Civil and Public Services Association and the Society of

Civil and Public Servant. MI5 have also mounted a special investigation into the funding of a one-day conference on polygraphs held at the Festival Hall in London on December 6. The Society of Civil and Public Servants, which organized it, has invited leading anti-polygraph auth-ority from the United States, Professor David Lykken, a psychologist from the University of Minnesota to the

Sir Robert Armstrong tried earlier this month to defuse union hostility to fie-detectors are to be used at Cheltenham on an experimental basis from April 1. In a letter dated January 9 to the Council of Civil Unions, he wrote:

There is no decision to proceed from that to'a scheme for the definitive introduction Successful at blue monitors the path of of the polygraph in security Soivet spy satellites as they pass screening. That decision reover the eastern Atlantic and mains entirely open, and will be Western Europe, feeding its for consideration when we are data to the immensely secret in a position to assess and National Reconnaissance Office analyse the results of the pilot study."

in Washington.

Sporadic disruption continued for five months. It that opposition to the polygraph that opposition to the polygraph would have been likely to crumble eventually at Cheltenham if the Government had stood firm. With the loss of union recognition, he added, resistance to lie-detectors would be redoubled.

GCHQ is the successor organization to the Government Code and Cypher School which it had been estimated in the Second World War shor-Last year the very special the Second World War shor-intelligence relationship of the tened the conflict by some 18 months by penetrating the most secret codes and cyphers of the German, Italian and Japanese

Since 1945 its efforts have been concentrated on the Soviet Union and its sattellites, al-though other nations such as Argentina, which is a prime target of the Ascension Island station because of the Falklands, constantly watched. It focuses mainly on military and diplomatic traffic, but since the grounds, arguing that US 1970s there has been a growing experience showed polygraphs effort to glean economic and financial information.

The unionization of GCHO "has stood out a mile for years' one insider said yesterday, as MIS and the Secret Intelligence Service, M16, are strictly nonunion. Other parts of the minutes of the meeting record: intelligence community do contain union members, however, who would be affected if the Cabinet's ban was extended to all security and intelligence

> These include civilian members of the 900-strong Defence Intelligence Staff in the Minismy of Defence

The case of Lieutenant-Colonel John Waite, a former member of GCHQ, who took his demotion on reaching the retiring age of 60 in 1979, to an industrial tribunal has seriously concerned the Cheltenham management. He won his case at the tribunal, but it was Whitehall sources indicate last year, a decision upheld by strongly yesterday that the Foreign Secretary's move to GCHQ personnel from the remove the GCHQ union's remit of industrial tribunals was with the aftermath of Prime or Cabinet's decision to bar unions

ommendations including the reduction or abolition of value-added tax on theatre tickets, a 20-year development programme, and the creation of a Ministry of Arts Heritage and Tourism with a seat in Cabinet. The long-awaited govern

ment reply is silent on the select committee's call for the film \$28,50/34 532 45 industry to be reshaped with considerable public involve-ment. The White Paper says that the issue will be tackled by Savov Taylors Guild assorted plains and business stripe shirts £24 50/32. .AL&10 the Department of Trade and Industry review, which is due to report within weeks. TIES. Poresilk \$10.50/18.50_ From £5 KNITWEAR wide selection from Pringle. One of the committee's most

was a television levy to finance film production. The White Paper defends the

The rejection of some of the select committee's more adventurous contentions is hardly likely to surprise art circles, who were somewhat surprised that the select committee report was so favourable.

Public and Private Funding of the Arts, (Crand 9127, Stationery Office, £3.15).

Strike talks

Peace talks aimed at ending the two-week-old strike by Sogat '82 clerical workers at Times Newspapers took place last night under the auspices of the Newspaper Publishers Association.

new M25 section By Michael Baily, Transport Editor

A battery of cameras will enable the police to watch every More than 40 overhead

zoomed in to give close-up away, are under the remote control of police staff at Chigwell who will receive pictures back by the latest fibreoptic cable. The system will be extended

The police emphasized at

outside conditions and reduce driver dazzle. With traffic expected to build

when the congestion, especially Mr Ridley gave no indication

• The Freight Transport As-

Villagers emerge from weekend white-out

By Richard Dowden The weekend blizzards that

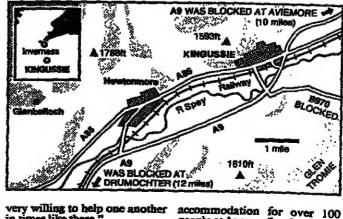
brought some of the worst westher in living memory to parts of Scotland also brought to the little village of Kingussie. south of Inverness, some 400 stranded travellers.

About 300 of them were from vehicles stuck on the

Drumochter pass in the High-lands on the A9 and the rest were from three trains stranded at the station. "It wasn't the snow itself but

the most ferocious gale I have ever experienced," Mr Keith Highland Roads and Transport Department in Inverness, said. "The winds were about 100 or 120 miles an hour, bringing in snow. It was a complete white out and we could not move from Saturday night until about Sam on Monday."

But the 1,000 inhabitants of Kingussie and its neighbouring village of Newtonmore are used to such intemperate climate. There was general agreement that the blizzard matched the terrible winter of 1947.



in times like these. Another local crofter strand-

ed at Glenballoch, Mr Archie Anderson, brought essential food supplies by an RAF Puma helicopter from RAF Leuchars. The problems for the rail travellers started at 6pm on Saturday when the Inverness to Ediphraph tentil had to pair Edinburgh train had to wait while the points were changed

at Dalwhinnie. Its brakes froze

that the blizzard matched the terrible winter of 1947.

"People stock up early on from before Christmas" Mr London to push it but then that one stuck too," Mr Angus the village grocery, said.

"They adapt, make their own bread and make do with dried milk if they run out. People are

people at lam on Sunday.

mochter pass, 197 vehicles were stranded after a jorry jack-knifed and blocked the road. Two snow ploughs, two police Range-Rovers, and two mountain rescue vehicles also got

As a result more than 300 people trekked to Mr Sandy Anderson's small hunting lodge at Drumochter which usually accommodates nine. The game-keeper said: It was standing room only and there was no

water.
"Luckily the electricity was able to keep

Although most people in the village were able to get to work, many of them at Aviemore holiday and ski centre and those in outlying areas have been snowed up. Mr Philip Cairney. and his wife, and son, aged 12, have been marooned in their cottage at Gaick up Glen Tromie since January 2. The Kingussie High School with its 385 pupils closed for

two days at the begining of the week because two-thirds of the pupils could not get to school. What was the reaction?
"What you would expect, jubilation," Mrs Irend Dallas. the school secretary, said.

The 80 men employed by the Roads and Transport Department, based at Kingussie, have been working about 12 to 16 hours a day trying to keep the roads clear.

The Drumochter pass was finally cleared yesterday but it remains closed until all the abandoned vehicles have been removed.

Kingussie's four postmen still arrive for work at 7am but so far this week the trains have not arrived until midday at the earliest so they only have a few hours of sunlight to deliver the working so we were able to keep mail. In any case, many of the roads are blocked.

Family doctors are strongly they do not want to prescribe critized by the Royal College of drugs but the patient expects

Physicians for the ways in medication", the report says.

One of the results of overwhich they prescribe drugs for elderly people. The college has exposed the vulnerability of the elderly to drugs, which may kill the college has been such as lonetiness and earlier for the return of the college has then cure and college for the return of the college has the first then cure and college for the return of the college has the first then cure and college for the return of the college has the first then cure and college for the return of the college has the first then cure and college for the return of the college has appropriate treatment for probability of the college has a lone the most appropriate treatment for probability of the college has a lone the most appropriate treatment for probability of the college has a lone the most appropriate treatment for probability of the college has a lone the most appropriate treatment for probability of the college has a lone the most appropriate treatment for probability of the college has a lone the most appropriate treatment for probability of the college has a lone the most appropriate treatment for probability of the college has a lone the most appropriate treatment for probability of the college has the most appropriate treatment for probability of the college has the most appropriate treatment for probability of the college has the most appropriate treatment for probability of the college has the most appropriate treatment for probability of the coll rather than cure, and calls for new safeguards among GPs, best thay can offer. hospital staffs and the pharmacentical industry.
In a report published yester-

day, the college blames doctors for excessive and sometimes unnecessary prescribing, which leads to elderly patients having too many pulls and other medicines. Many patients suffer an "unacceptably high preva-lence of adverse drug reactions", many of which are fatal. Dr Michael Denham, sec-relary of the colleges working

party which compiled the report, said yesterday: "Large numbers of elderly people are going into hospital solely, or largely, due to the drugs they were laking.

"A number of these patients die and a number will nor fully recover from the side effects." The report adds that in March, 1982 more than 10 million prescriptions were dis-pensed for the elderly. In 1980, ciderly people were given twice as many prescriptions as the national average.

poor housing, but feel that is the Doctors may also over

prescribe because of pressure from drug companies and their travelling salesmen, the report per cent of the potential total.

"The doctor's natural desire to treat the many disabilities found in the very old can result "disastrous effects", confuse new prescriptions with old, and in many drugs being given simultaneously. Unfortunately, new therapy is often added piecemeal without considering, questioning, or reviewing the continued need for the earlier medication. medication.

That produces "a daunting collection of tablets which the patient will attempt to take". Impaired compliance and adverse drug reactions and inter- simplify the dose and drug actions are "natural sequels", regime. the report adds.

reducing incidence of adverse their explanations, and should drug reactions in the elderly will give precise information to the be made by the doctor questioning the need for drugs and by stopping all unnecessary medinational average. cation, otherwise polypharmacy serious ac
"Physicians are frequently will continue unchecked, and a doctors s
placed in a situation in which competent individual may be up visits.

and a quarter tons of medicines. A similar campaign in Bir-

mingham recovered more than 330,000 tablets and capsules; that was calculated to be only 3 Patients may use hoarded

risk iliness because some drugs deteriorate with age.

Studies in hospitals and the community have shown that as many as 75 per cent of elderly patients make errors in using prescriptions, 25 per cent of which are potentially serious. The report advises doctors to ssess carefully whether patients

need more medication, and to They should try to discover it The greatest contribution to the patients have understood

> pharmacist so medicines can be clearly and correctly labelled. Patients should be advised of serious adverse drug effects, and doctors should arrange follow-

Hydrocephalus Association. They include Judi Dench, Claire Bloom, Dorothy Tutin, Sir John Mills, John terrified, Joan Greenwood hoped she would get by going "la la" and Warning on cavity-wall insulation defects

THE TIMES THURSDAY JANUARY 26 1984

Damp and rot caused by the wrongly insulated cavity walls could be among the worst to include it by energy-saving housing defects in the 1990s, the National House-Building Countries of the property correspondent.

Insulation is increasing because builders are encouraged to include it by energy-saving regulations.

Timber-framed houses

A glittering array of stage talent, many more accustomed to the "legitimite" theatre explained yesterday how they

feel about agreeing to perform in a musical charity gala at the Theatre Royal, Drury Lane, London.

Michael Horden said he was

independent body representing protection and ventilation. building interests, including building societies and consumer organizations, would advise builders next month on the correct methods for cavity-wall

By Christopher Warman, Property Correspondent

Three entertainers who are to perform in the gala: (left to right) Susannah York, Joanna Lumley and Liz Robertson

Switching roles to aid charity

Barbara Leigh-Hunt hoped she could

get lost in the second row of the

to take part in the show on February 26 in aid of the Spina Bilida and

So far 104 performers have agreed

cil says.

Mr Andrew Tait, the council's director-general, said yesterday that the council, an should not have insulation inserted because they are thermally efficient and need their cavities clear for weather

Cavity-wall insulation for traditional brick and block houses was perfectly satisfactory if properly done, but it de-manded a high degree of skill, Mr Tait said.

New 'Henry V' to open Stratford season

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The Royal Company unveiled plans yesterday for 12 new productions at
Stratford and 15 productions at
the Postional during its 1924 Stratford and 15 productions at the Barbican during its 1984 season. The season at the Royal Shakespeare Theatre will begin with a new production of Henry V. with Kenneth Branagh in the title role. Roger Rees is to

Shakespeare and a revival of the 1940s farce, first two productions

Judi Dench will return to the

Hurt, Simon Ward and Leonard

Michael Horden, who is 72, is to sing a duet with Joan Plowright from the Pajama Game which involves "a

bit of a sort of shuffle around".

Christopher Reeve, who played the

film Superman, is to perform a number

about Elvis Presley that he had tried out in the United States.

RSC after an interval of four years in October when she takes the lead role in Brecht's Mother Courage,

return to Stratford to play

Hamlet, directed by Ron
Daniels, and Anthony Sher will
take the title role in Richard III.

The third Barbican season
The company's award-winning production Poppy may not make its planned run on Broadway because of opposition by the United States includes nine Stratford transfers actors' union.

IBM drive to sell computers to colleges

HOME NEWS

By Lucy Hodges Education Correspondent

A multi-million pound programme to get IBM computers into British schools, college and universities was announced yesterday by the company, which said it was giving 92 of its personal computers to higher

education institutions. This initiative by the world's largest computer company, which is American owned. comes at a time when competition for the education computer market is intensifying. Last week, Commodore, an American company, announced that it was offering its equipment at a big discount to schools and colleges.

The most important strand of the IBM initiative is the setting up of an IBM Institute at a cost of more than £2m to work with higher education institutions to ensure that computers are introduced across the curricu-lum and not just in computer

The first project has already been established in the engineering department at Cambridge University to see how bridge University to see how computers can aid the teaching of engineering. It is intended that this computer-oriented teaching will become an integral part of the university's Engineering Tripos as well as being used elsewhere.

The second strand of the programme, which will cost £400,000, is the donation of IBM personal computers - the best selling small business computer - to 92 selected universities, colleges and poly-

technics.
Finally £800,000 will be spent on sponsoring projects in schools involving the use of IBM personal computers.

Announcing the plans, Sir Edwin Nixon, chairman and chief executive of IBM United Kingdom, said: "Our efforts reflect our belief that preparing students for the information society should be an edu-cational priority."

Disabled man opts for civil marriage

in a register office in March. He was, however, not prepared to attack the church and his marriage. Despite what had been

reported, he told The Times;

angry, we are not confused." He was refused a church marriage by the Nottingham diocesan marriage tribunal on the ground of sexual impotence, but on Tuesday the Roman Catholic Bishop of Nottingham, Mar James McGuinness, re-

versed the decision.

Mr Rigby said that as the church did not recognize civil

Mortgage

rate cut

ruled out

By Margaret Drummon

There is little prospect of a

Savings have continued to

flow in recent months. In

December. usually a poor month, the building societies took £800m. But lending is running at £1.000m a month

and most societies consider

their main task to meet mortgage demand.

The Alliance and Royal

Bank of Scotland will launch a joint "Banksave" account on

Monday (the Press Association

reports). Customers with a minimum current account of

£500 will be paid interest at 7.25 per cent net by the building society.

cut in the mortgage rate, before

By Clifford Longley, Religious Affairs Correspondent Mr Stephen Rigby, the marriages entered into by its handicapped former soldier members, the register office who has received permission for ceremony would change noth-a Roman Catholic church ing in the church's eyes. wedding after first being re- However, he and his fiancée, fused, said yesterday he was Mrs llona Eradhun, had de-keeping to his decision to marry cided to ask the church to recognize their marriage later in the year.

Civil marriages can be formawanted the church to recognize lized according to Canon Law and therefore deemed to be valid by the church. Mr Rigby we are not bitter, we are not although he and his fiancée had not yet discussed it with a

> "We shall approach the church and seek a Caiholic marriage to make her happy", he added. "I think she deserves

Mrs Eradhun is a Roman Catholic. whose former civil marriage was dissolved.

satellite

The talks, chaired by a senior civil servant, continued between BBC and independent television officials yesterday. The BBC had previous decided to postpone its satellite venture on ground of cost.

A joint satellite venture between the two companies would probably lead to one shared film service and two separate general television channels. All three would only be available to viewers through

gets backing

By Our Arts Correspondent The Government is likely to encourage the setting up of a joint BBC - independent the late spring or early summer Mr Roy Cox, chief general manager of the Alliance Building Society, said yesterday in the Alliance's annual results. television direct broadcast satellite service if the two sides can agree details on the partnership within the next two weeks.

the payment of a premium. City finance is likely to be sought for



Mr and Mrs Fewkes: "praying for Ben" yesterday.

Parents in transplant plea

The parents of a boy whose liver was used to save a boy aged 2 appealed yesterday for families to let doctors use organs for transplant.

Mr Darryl Fewkes, aged 32, and his wife Julie, 2ged 22, of Fenwick Close, Broxtowe, Nottingham, agreed last week to the liver of their son Matthew, aged 2, being used for a transplant when they

realized he was going to die. The boy was seriously ill after an operation to repair defects in his chest and lungs

Monday that the liver would go

to Ben Hardwick, also aged 2 from Chessington, in Surrey. He was facing death from a rare disease because doctors could not find a liver to transplant. His plight was featured in That's Life, the BBC television's programme.

Yesterday he was making good progress at Addenb-rooke's Hospital, in Cambridge.
Mrs Fewkes said that they

made up their minds about the transplant very quickly. "We are now praying for Ben. He is a very special boy to us, and we hope to go and him eventually," she said.

More eat cheese at breakfast

By David Nicholson-Lord The traditional British breakfast, criticized for its fat and cholesterol content, is now threatened by the spread of Continental

A survey by Gallup yester-day revealed that 8 per cent of Britons now eat cheese for breakfast, with British cheese the most popular.

The results of the survey, published in the countryside magazine, Out of Town, were described as "staggering" by the British Bacon Bureau. A spokesman for Dairy Crest, Britain's biggest cheese pro-ducer, speculated that the breakfast bacon rasher might

be doomed. However, the bureau, which said bacon consumption rose marginally last year is launch-ing a campaign next month-to publicize the "great British

breakfast".
It is being run in conjuction with TV-ant. A 16-page colour brockers containing recipes and coupous will be delivered to 11 million bomes. Michael Parkinson and others will extoi the virtues of the British breakfast.

Hospital scheme abandoned

The British United Provident Association (Bupa) has with-drawn from a plan to build a £7m private hospital for the Oxford Regional Health Authority in the grounds of the John Radcliffe teaching hospital. It would have provided the region with 30 beds for specialist heart surgery, with another 30 for use by Bupa.

The region does not have a full heart surgery service and most patients are transfered to London for operations. It will

London for operations. It will now consider developing a cardiac surgery unit on its own.

Author charged with murder

Mrs Helen Charlotte Hough, an author of children's books and a social worker, appeared before Highbury magistrates in north London yesterday charged with murdering Mrs Anita Johnson Harding, aged Anta Johnson Harding, aged 84, on November last year.

Mrs Hough, aged 59, of Ivor Street, Camden Town, north London, was granted bail on condition that she provided a surety of £5,000 and did no social work. Committee proceedings are scheduled for March 1.

Jury sent home

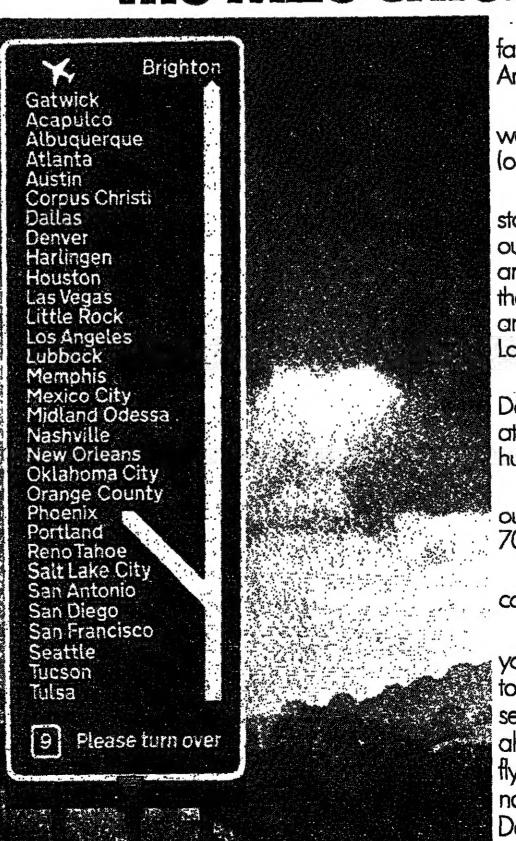
The jury in the Winchester Crown Court trial of Kathleen Calhaem, aged 57, were sent home yesterday while Mr Justice Stuart Smith heard defence submissions. Miss Colones Stuart Claudice Cheddar, from Somerset, is accused of murdering Mrs Shirley Rendell, aged 46, of Yation, near Bristol. The hearing will resume today.

Jacobs bows out

David Jacobs, presenter of the BBC radio programme Any Questions? is to leave the show in September, after 16 years as host. John Timpson, co-presenter of the Today programme will replace him, combining the

Danish milk ban

Port health authorities at Harwich, Essex have rejected 500 litres of Danish long life milk, even though two identical consignments have been allowed in through Grimsby and North Shields, saying that it contained too much water.



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communications staff lose right to join union. Alliance fails to

SECULIA The certificates have immediate offered the opportunity of seeking a that amounced to the House of the Court of the Government Community of the Government of the Court of the Cou

for the loss of rights they had? hitherto enjoyed, he said.

The announcement was greeted with protests from Labour MPs and Mr Dennis Healey, chief Opposition on foreign and Common wealth affairs, said the staff were being denied a right given to other civil servants involved in equally

secret work.

Sir Geoffice, Have Said, As the House known the Employment Protection Acts doltain provisions which enable the Government to

Protection Acts desirain provisions which enable the Government to except Crown employees whose the application of the Acts. These provisions can be seen day for the purpose of safegiarding authors, edged need for patternary sensitive functions of Greedynment to be protected so far as possible from the risk of exposure or disruption.

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The very few offences against security which have bee committed by members of GCHO have been dealt with under the law, as the prime case recently, but no industrial action, so far as I am aware the backets action for the members. aware, has been taken by members for the last three years. The House must be told why the

The House must be told why the Government decided after all these years to deprive employees of GCHQ of rights enjoyed by civil servants in the Ministry of Defence and the Foreign Office who are doing work of national security importance too.

This is depriving them of rights to industrial organization which is enjoyed by the Royal Ordnance Factories and in private factories

Factories and in private factories like Vickers and Plessey, which are doing work involving security central to the nation's security. What consultation did he have before taking this decision, with the elected representatives of the GCHQ? Did he discuss this decision with the Security Commission which, although it was not set up specifically to deal with broad questions of this nature, is composed of persons who have deep and long standing knowledge of the work of GCHQ and whose impartiality would be accepted by

them. They are normally involved only in cases when there has been a breach of security. Nor were there consultations with the trade unions at the GCHQ. It would not have been appropriate in a matter of this lind.

lin parallel with this answers and comment letters are today being a comment letters are today being a comment letters are today being a comment letters and for that reason there has been long and careful consideration of for example, the need to avoid repetition of the industrial action which took place in the three years 1979 to 1981 which faces staff doing this kind of work with severely

this kind of work with severely conflicting loyalties.

Bearing in mind the need for confidence in the stability and reliability of the service. The Government concluded it was right to take this measure. Skinter: What evidence is I remind the House that the provisions which I have invoked are down by the government in support of its defende and foreign policy. We believe completed in the stability of the service and its freedom from

already applied to other aspects of the security service and are bound in statutes passed by the last Labout Government of which Mr Healey in statutes passed by the last Labout Government of which Mr Healey the service and the security services which are disallowed normal industrial activity under the Act are MIS and the Secret Intelligence Service, both small bodies of professional men. But this is a completely different type of entemprise both in terms of its importance to national security and the secrecy of its work.

It does not differ essentially from the Foreign Secretary's private office, from civil servants in the

doing work vital to national security and which have the right to industrial organization and they have not abused it any more than members of the GCHQ.

Sir Geoffrey Howe: The function of the GCHQ involves safeguarding

there against trade onions.

case of Mr Wallenberg was raised most recently by Mr Malogar Rifkind when he saw the directs

enview over evidence which may relate to security that could be done by invoking article 24.

I understand his motives but he has not found a way of carrying conviction with the 5.000 people employed in the establishment.

from the option of the complaints and industrial tribunal because of anxiety over evidence which may

Sir Geoffrey Howe: The reason first of all is the need, in order to secure freedom from serious disruption, to remove the risk of strike action. A non-strike agreement such as he suggests does not provide exemp-tion from an industrial tribunal.

establish body to review Act

commission to monitor tion of the Prevention of circumstances of legislation of this sort.

Bill and to make an annual report to Partiament on its working and effect. Mir Alexander Carille (Montgomery, L) said in moving a Liberal-SDP Alliance new clause to the Bill during its report stage in the Cornerous.

He said they should bear it mind that these was in shorted of any form of legal states and those made the inhibites of exchisionappeers.

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A scrutiny commission commends to the sub-like in the formation about the form that such a review should take. In

involved, to tell the House whether it really was necessary for a resolution to be passed affirming the continuation of this legislation. It would be as near to a judicial procedure as was reasonable in the circumstances of legislation of this

the from an industrial tribunal.

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Sir Geoffrey Howe: It is a measure designed to uphein the very freedoms that which is threateness by fascism not less lastism of socialist kindle by triglence which consists the evidence which consists the evidence which consists the end to include the last laboral Government the next to he will be a factor to be proved that the further provide for more analysis of the sent one went from the provide for more analysis of the colder provide for more analysis that the provide for more analysis that the provide sent provide for more analysis to the provide for more analysis that the provide for more analysis to the provide for more analysis to the provide for more analysis that the provide for more analysis to the provide for the provide for more analysis to the provide for the provide for the provide for the provide for the provi

FIOWE seeks Sir Golden Howe: I think he links with Argentine

FOREIGN OFFICE

Britain is holding no distrissions

He added that Britain would not he added that Britain would not give into talks about the transfer of the sovereignty over the Falkland Islands to Argentina.

Mr Ncholas Soames (Crawley, Cr. Would he not agree that we are in a section now where, in victory, we

MPs on both sides of the House are disappointed in the lack of a positive response to Argentina. Does he agree that we should seek

commercial normalization, at the least give some encouraging noises to the Argentine Government that we welcome their participation. Sir Geoffrey Howe: I entirely take. the force of the point he makes. The message which the Prime Minister sent to President Alfonsin after the election of the democratic government in Argentina was intended to pare the way towards more normal. relationships.

It is clearly right for us to seek to do sorstong the lines suggested by seeking for example, to begin improving commercial relation-ships between the countries.

Mr David Winnick (Walsalt Mr David Winnick (Waisail North, Laby, is this not the right disconnective state of the portunity to explore with the Argentine Government all aspects of the future of the Falldands. Would the Foreign Secretary not agree that speaking dome out in the news about 1 are of public money being spenCier the creation of just being spenCier the creation of just been a destricted before in the Falklands speaking the disconnection of the speaking of the growing and formicable public this country is poving for the speaking. In the absence of

Sir Genfrey Howe I think he overholds the fact that the Government has made clear that there is no interior of embarking upon respiritions about sovereignty and that the compatible with everying we have said and done about the Fallands so far.

In those circumstances, it is right and wroper for us to be taking

and proper, for us to be taking prudent steps which are necessary to secure the defence of the islands and their development. It is in that context that the houses to which he referred were sugerify needed by wey of replacement. The final cost of supply and erection was high fora number of restons, but the original

zintract price had been adhered to:



declaration, that does not rule out | future of the Falklands without pre the wisdom of looking for ways of improving our relations, starting in the areas most likely to be practible, probably with commercial matters.

Mr David Atkinson (Bourne-month East, C): Is not the time right for the Government to renew its to facilitate arrangements for the Argentine bereaved to visit the graves on the Falkland Islands. Sir Geoffrey Howe: Yes, I am glad of this opportunity to do that. Since the prominer of 1982 we have made clear of a number of occasions

that the imminer of 1922 we have many ich he clear on a number of occasions ed by shrough the International Red Cross if cost that we are prepared to facilitate before a first, of all repatriation of the riginal Argeotine flead, and that offer tempina specified we will place no obsection the easy of a visit of the kind discribed by Mr Atkinson by a bond into some of relatives prepared by mr atkinson by a bond into some of relatives prepared by the source of relatives prepared by the source international section will be sourced by Mr Atkinson by a bond into some or relatives prepared by the source international section will be sourced by the first section of the Control of

Six Geoffrey Howe: I think the to me the right way to set

> year for the next three years for every family of Paliganders, and much of that money forasted, as we have seen in the float of these houses, will the Goldmanent show the same readiness to meet the democratic needs &

conditions, as it has already undertaken negotiations with the Communist government of China about the future of the six million people in Hongkong? Sir Geoffrey Howe: The parallel he attempted to draw at the end of his question is characteristically inap-

propriete.

But of course it is sensible for us to be willing to seek better relationships with the democratic government in the Argentine. We have welcomed their election. think we must invite them also to have some respect for the rights of the people who live in the Falkland Islands to self-determination.

Pressure on Russia over human rights

Sir Geoffrey Howe, Secretary of State for Foreign and Common-wealth Affairs, was challenged in the Commons on his approach to abuses of human rights in the Soviet

Union.

Daniel opicitions about Russia's impact representations ander the Holding Agreements. Mr Donald Anderson. an Opposition spokes man on foreign and Commonwealth affairt, said: We only wish he would show that home are and the foreign and commonwealth affairt, said: We only wish he would show that home are and the foreign and commonwealth affairt, said: We only wish he would show that home are and the foreign and commonwealth affairt. show task same year and task same enthusiasm is other ages like Chile, for example, where this Govern-ment abstance recently in the United Nations on the human rights

correlation between the severity of the cold war and the tightening of the tours to the more below

Wars cope was record and get on with the fusiness of detente.

He said however, that there was a bipartisent approach on human rights and the Opposition joined the Government in its condemnation of human grain abuses in Russia.

Sir Gould's Howe The Government facts every opportunity appropriate to raise questions of human rights.

Sir Geoffrey Howe: Our delegation at Madrid ruised examples of individual cases of that kind. The

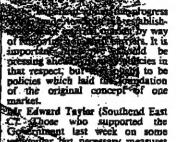
matter in the terms and cited general examples with Mr Gromyko in Madrid in Sentember and in Stockholm is read in Stockholm is read in Stockholm be had taken examples of people where the case was more serious.

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He began by

esidency to reach agreement on the main issues of the post-Stuttgar negotiations at the March European



Westminster boys will learn how to nake a orone

and Science, would like to see in schools.

Called entrepreneurial sturdies, it will be an optional course for the sixth form, probably mostly for these taking A level economics will not be examined. The leffreys, who went to Westman ster last year from Charters house, said that his lessons on the theory of profit-making would alternate with talks with the entrepreneurs.

The subject would also give students the opportunity to do some work for companies and enable those institutions to make contact with bright young people, he explained. That might mean that the high-fliers would decide to go into business rather than into the more orthodox professions, the Civil Service and academe.

entrepreneurship, or how to accountancy firm, on the make a profit, in a course which relationship between inflation will combine economic theory and innovation. In return with contact with entrepreneurs McLintock will help Westminsnd their problems. ter pupils who, for example. The course, which will begin want to spend their year in the autumn, has been between school and university developed by Mr Daniel Jefwith a company. Mr Jeffreys freys, aged 28, Westminster's said: "We are trying to market new head of economics, partly the services of the department in response to pressure from as well as trying to make the parents of boys at the school, students see themselves as such as Mr Roland (Tiny) economists. In order to do that Rowland and Mr Tim O'Hara, we have got to give them It is also just the kind of course which Sir Keith Joseph, the but because McLintock want Secretary of State for Education certain information in a and Science, would like to see in month's time and for a risktaking venture."

An education authority is to pay £5,000 "in full and final settlement" of claims by music

lishers' Association.

edition in which the copyright is owned by the association Actor fined for

aged 42, of Islington, north-east London, he told South Western

magistrates that his relationship with Miss Celia Imrie, an

actress, had become obsessive and that he had had a few

carol copies

publishers arising from illegal photocopying of Christinas carols from a hymn book Northumberland County Council and Mr Terry Atkinson, director of music at the Queen Elizabeth High School.

Hexham, admitted infringement of copyright.

By consent, Mr Justice Goulding gave judgment for Novello & Company, Boosey & Hawkes Publishers and the Oxford University Press; suing on their own behalf and for all members of the Music Pub-

The council has agreed to desurpy all infringing coases of any musical work or published



filian Jason Gallery. (Photograph Suresh Karadia).

ortraits of war on show

Mr Leonard Rosoman, a two years at the end of the last war as a titular captain in the Royal Marines, who makes the ion rather reluctantly

(David Hewson writes). But the experience of war was inspiring for him and 29 the Armed Forces to record the conflict, at an exhibition which opened in London yesterday vill show. The collection has been

assembled over several years by the gallery owner, Mrs Gillian Jason, who has uncovered 60 new works, many of which had been forgotten by their creators and descendants. Most of the output of the 30 official war artists is now in the hands of the Imperial War

put together several items which had never been handed

Mr Rosoman, an art teacher

before the war, was drafted into the fire service along with many other painters. He was given the rank of captain in 1943 and spent the rest of the war with the Pacific Fleet on board HMS Formidable.
Artists Under The Flag, Gillian

Deadine of the ser reviews continue

Association, the top officials' agonymous quotes that the 90-day limit for their citizen". completion produces meant rushed and superficial work and that in some cases pressure has that in some cases pressure has the Rayner principle" among its been put on investigating members. But it reproduced

Rayner system, which comes to made the scrutiny team more be seen as a weapon in the cuts liable to "spoonfeeding" by armoury rather than a tool to officials whose work they were improve Civil Service efficiency investigating one civil servant who had

Sir Robin Ibbs, who sucsurvey and its general endorsement of the scrutiny system. though
The purpose of scrutinies, Sir spects.

journal of the First Division economy; that is good sense. But it is not all. We are dealing union, published a set of here with value-for-money and from that means looking at cost, at Rayner scrutineers which claim output and service to the The FDA survey noted "there was no real criticism of

officers to recommend cuts.

The association says: "This is a cause for concern. It serves to undermine confidence in the 90-day limit was inflexible and

worked as a scrutinger spoke of ceeded Lord Rayner last year as subtle pressure put on him by head of the Prime Minister's his superiors to find savings. He Efficiency Unit, issued a state found the Management and ment yesterday welcoming the Personnel Office, which is positive spirit of the FDA responsible for administrative economies, "more bullying though helpful in many re-"more bullying

PSA reforms challenged

Radical proposals for the reorganization of the Government's Property Services Agency (PSA) will cost more than double the planned £12m, create rather than cut jobs, and cause two years of turmoil, according to six Civil Service unions.

The unions will today meet Mr Patrick Jenkin. Secretary of State for the Environment, to present a critique of the reorganization which was prepared by Mr Montague Alfred, the agency chief executive
The proposals involve dividing the agency into two.

Israelis unite to condemn Bonn's Saudi deal as history haunts Kohl visit

At a time of bitter political polarization in Israel, Chancellor Helmut Kohl's visit has united left and right for the first time in years in denunciation of German plans to sell sophisticated heavy weaponry to Saudi

The emotive campaign to persuade Boan to alter its stance on the proposed arms package has become the focal point of the six-day visit. As a result, it is likely to be the yardstick on which its sucess will be judged by many Israelis. including those of the post-Holocaust generation.

The 80 German reporters accompanying Dr Kohl have been treated to the rare sight of government and opposition politicians, usually at loggerheads over the economic crisis, united in an appeal, based on nation had an opportunity to Germany's moral obligations win higher satisfaction by a arising out of the slaughter of six million Jews.

In articles printed side by side in yesterday's Jerusalein Post, two political enemies. Mr Ze'ev Chafets of the ruling Jewish Deputies from the Likud. Some director of the Government

"Only a clear statement by Chancellor Kohl that, despite the economic temptation, he is former Deputy Foreign Minismorally bound not to sell guns ter, said afterwards. "All the morally bound not to sell guns to Israeli's enemies, will suf-tice." Mr Chafets said, "Anyfice." Mr Chafets said, "Any affiliation, expressed the thing less will mark his trip to seriousness, from the moral and Jerusalem as a cynical charade, political point of view, if the and his visit to Yad Vashem sale went ahead. We empha-(the Holocaust memorial) as a hameful and ugly photo oppor-

negotiated the establishment of intention of killing them. aplometic relations with Bonn

sible as the Soviet Union for the problems that lash El

at being defends of liberty. They are providing arms and money

ing our blood, the destruction of

held on March 25. It was a

event in the context of the

terror which has characterized

political life in El Salvador for the past fifty years, said the arbiter of the unprecedented

terms of superpower expansio- peace.

our people and our country."

D'Aubuisson blames US

for Salvador troubles

From Our Correspondent, San Salvados

A fiercely anti-Communist nism, but as a result of "the

presidential candidate, Major structure ... since - the 1930s.

Roberto D'Aubuisson, said the when the military seized and

Major D'Aubuisson, likely to country was "a history of be El Salvador's next president, injustices...of divisions

said both superpowers were between those who have had all

using the Salvadoean people as and those who have had

guinea pigs for experiments nothing. And this is the basic

ceing conducted "without our reason for the conflicts now. Ours is a history of institution-

for the conflict and we, the Salvadorean people, are providestablishment. Señor Duarte

Major D'Aubuisson was speaking on Tuesday on the them the US who insist on the

candidates in elections to be their arms and taking part in

Major D'Aubuisson's leading the Republican Naional rival for the presidency, former Alliance, rejected in his speech

president José Duarte, a Chris- all negotiation with the guer-

tian democrat, saw the causes of rillas, saying military victory of El Salvador's agony not in was the only way to achieve

"The United States is playing alized violence, of economic

violence.

United States was as respon- held on to political power".

Shamir survives Mr Shamir's fragile Government survived a no-confidence motion last night after a stormy debate in the Knesset. The Opposition motion was defeated by 62 votes to 56 with

When the ethnic Tami Party threatened to quit the coalition over budget cuts, Mr Shamir cancelled a meeting with Chancellor Kohl to consult hastily with coalition partners, including the Tami leader, Mr Aharon Abuhatzeira. Minutes before the vote, Mr Abubat-zeira announced he had gained the pledges he was seeking.

proposed sale would be seen as an interruption in the German-Jewish dialogue. "Seldom has a smaller renunciation than that which the German leadership enjoys today," he said.

in the Knesset, Dr Kohl Government press office, and the Israeli speakers emphasized the need for the German Government to drop its plans to sell to the Saudis.

Mr Yehuda Ben-Meir, the members, irrespective of party sized the dangers to Israeli-German relations if German arms were once again aimed Mr Eban, the politician who against Jewish boys with the Although diplomats believe

Calling for an end to "sim-

plistic" explanations, Señor

Duarte said the history of his

Speaking before select mem-

said "the rebels have had causes

same podium as the other five left-wing rebels putting down previous year, forecasts for this

Señor Duarte's goal is a

national dialogue in which all

representative groups would have "security that they will not

Major D'Aubuisson, who leads

be killed at dawn or disappear."

vanced. Mr Ben-Meir said Dr Kohl had told the group no decision had been made. He was also reported to have pointed out that other countries, like America, had much larger arms commitments to Saudi Arabia.

Throughout the second day of the visit, deliberate re-minders of the Holocaust continued to dog the German party at every stage of its hectic programme. In the Knesset, one Deputy waved a large yellow star as Dr Kohl watched from the public gallery. A number of others refused to take their seats Mr Menachem Hacohen, the

Labour backbencher who waved the replica of the Nazi two decades ago, argued that the star, also voiced a biblical proposed sale would be seen as protest at Dr Kohl's presence. Against this emotional back-

ground, the Chancellor yester-day again met Mr Yitzhak Shamir, the Prime Minister, who rejected all Dr Kohl's suggestions for progress in the deadlocked Middle East peace Dr Kohl had suggested the

EEC's Venice Declaration, with its mention of Palestinian selfdetermination, the Reagan plan and the Arab Fez plan as possible ways forward. But an Israeli official said Mr Shamir had dismissed all three as nonstarters, offering instead the Camp David agreement as the only viable avenue to peace,

Mr Shamir told Dr Kohl that the plans mentioned in his strongly-worded speech on Tuesday were "foreign to the Arab ideas" which Israel rejected. Officials denied that the fundamental disagreement over peace in the Middle East had upset the atmosphere of the

surplus

is forecast

By John Young
Agriculture Correspondent

surplus this year, and an end to

the recent recovery in market

prices, were forecast yesterday by Mr Daniel Amstutz, the US

Under Secretary of Agriculture.

Mr Amstutz, who was in condon for talks with Soviet

officials, said that, although the

Russians were committed to

purchasing 9 million tons this year under the latest long-term

igreement signed last year, he

did not expect that they would

need to buy the full 22 million tons available from the United

The 1983 Soviet crop was

year were favourable and the

imports was down to about 25

per cent from more than 70 per

cent in 1979, the last year before President Carter's embargo.

With the ending of the payment in kind programme, under which farmers were

encouraged to leave land un-

planted, the American wheat

harvest was likely to be at least 10 million tons above last year,

Mr Amstutz said.

If you send a larger donation you'll be help-

ing us to set up our fourteenth permanent

special unit, to provide 24 hour assistance to

Whatever you send it'll be used immediat-

ely to help children. Helping to stem the

abused children and their families.

renewed world grain

Mitterrand scolds his rebellious farmers

Rebellious French farmers vesterday continued their acts of sabotage such as blocking trains as President Mitterrand again warned them that viol-

ence would not be tolerated (AFP reports). The crowd of train travellers pictured above near Rennes in

Brittany had to get out and

walk yesterday after farmers blocked rail lines with lorries in protest at lower prices and transportation costs.

M Mitterrand was reviewing

French agriculture at the weekly Cabinet meeting in Paris. "Either you are out of the Common Market or your are inside, and everyone has to accept the Community rules," he said. "It is for the farmers and their leaders to demonstrate this, and not to pretend that we can settle the problems on their own.

"To convey that the French Government ou its own can end

Britian is also despairing of

ever overcoming the argument that it wants to get as much back from the EEC as it pays

into it. No matter how many

times British negotiators at

every level go on repeating that

Britain remains prepared to be a

net modest contributor, even

though it is a poorer country

money, that charge sticks,

Britian stands condemned of

Mrs Thatcher is not one to be

anti-community behaviour.

who receive

than several

amounts (MGA's) is nature and absurb, and these who spread such illusions lack civic spirit and courage "Overall, and the Farmers'

leaders know it, the Common Market has been beneficial for French farming, even if not aff categories have gained in the

Paris - Some 30 French trainer journalists occupied the British Consulate in Bordeaux yesterday to protest against an alleged anti-French campaign in They left peacefully nearly an

hour later after consul officials had summoned the police. The British newspaper, has been running a competition for the

Argentina

urged to hold

ex-rulers

presidential commission monir-ing into the fate of thousands of missing people has urged the government to stop former military rulers and high-ranking officials leaving Argentina.

The commission's appeaal applies to Presidents and members of the military Junias that ruled Argentina from 1976 until democracy was restored in

until democracy was restored in December. It also wants the ban

to include interior ministers

and military commanders of that period.

The 10-member commission said that the testimony of the

former rulers could be decisive

in discovering the fate of thousands of people who vanished during the "darty war"

French protest

at Sun jokes

Korchnoi ahead

Amsterdam (Reuter) - Viktor Korchnoi of Switzerland went into a vor lead over Soviet grandmaster Aleksandr Belyavski in the Hoogovens Belyavski in the Hoogovens chess tournament, beating Pedrag Nikolic (Yagoslavia) in an adjourned sinth round game. Belyavski drew with Sweden's Ulf Anderson. Tony Miles (Britain) beat John Van Der Wiel (Holland).

Standings: 1, Korchool 7pts, 2, Belyavski 6.5pts; 3, Miles, Nikolic and Van Der Wiel 5pts; 6, Hubner, Andersson, Adorjan, Ree, Tukma-kov-4.5pts

Editor freed

Paris M Jean Durieus, the deputy editor of Paris March who was jailed last Thursday because he refused to reveal his case involving a theft from police archives has been released on 50,000 franc (££,000) bail on the orders of

Off the menu

Hongkong (Reuter) A specially chartered loary ferried 16 endangered animals including a python and eagle, saved from the tables of Hongkong's gournet restaurants, back across the border into China yesterday. Most were destined for restaurants illegally specializing in exotic dishes such as monkey brains and bear paws.

Death plunge Rio de Janeiro (AFP) - A when a bus carrying militant members of the opposition Democratic Labour Party plunged into a ravine on the São Paulo road just outside.

Africans must drop their de-mand for removal of Cuban

troops from Angola as a jailed on December 12 after condition for granting independence to Namibia.

The Americans appear to friends said. They are hope that if a ceasefure could be thinke Poppe and Baerbel achieved, without reference to

other points of disagreement, it could create a climate of greater trust and confidence in which the Cuban issue and other problems could be solved more

Botha begin tomorrow after noon and are likely to continue through supper. Mr Botha has promised to burn the midnight oil if required. They may aim neet on Saturday. On Sunday Dr Crocker is due to leave for Zambie.

flies to

to find a majority in the-European Parliament to unblock the £457m rebate due to Britain, which Mrs Thatcher has insisted must be paid by the end of the British financial year

With that rebate frozen the domestic pressure on Mrs African proposal for a 30 day rial ceasine in S

from the Community and to accelerate its plunge into bankruptcy would become irresis-

The King announced his decision on Sunday in a nationwide broadcast after the

traders had been hoarding or selling above the official price, certain basic essentials like cooking oil, sugar, flour and tea. Some offenders had already been punished, with their shops closed for up to a month and fines of up to £17,000.

this month, Morocco has been going through a tough economic period, having to cut spending, including food subsidies. The cost of living is believed

per cent but there have since been tax increases and a rise in petrol and cooking gas prices. A budget decree for 1984 has

spending of only 3.6 per cent, less than the inflation rate. The pro-Government newspaper, L'Opinion, said the decree would be debated by Parliament when it reconvenes, but, until then, has the force of

law. Parliament is due to reassemble in April after a general election.

TUNIS: The Government yesterday lifted the curiew imposed at the beginning of January after the riots (AFP reports) but the state of emergency, also declared on January 3 remains in effect.

Crocker see Botha From Michael Herasby

African Foreign Minister. Dr Crocker's mission, part of

and over the weekend in Cape Verde, in which American South African, Angolian and Portugese officials were in-yolved at various times.

Mr Frank Wisner Dr Cinck-er's deputy, said on Tuesday. "We are in the middle of sensitive negotiations aimed at securing peace in Southern Africa. We prefer not to say The main purpose of the American initiative appears to

from January 31.

The South Africans would disengage their forces from the area provided the Angolans prevented the 20,000 Cutan troops estimated to be in Angola and the Swapo gnerrillas also based there from taking advantage of the singulation.

Swapo - the South West
Africa People's Organization
has been fighting for 17 years
for self-rule in Namibia.
The Angolans said the South

asily.
Dr Crocker's talks with Mr

Women freed Berlin (Reuler) - Two mem-bers of an East German "Womes for Peace" group, jailed on December 12 after

Bobley.

Warsaw order Warsaw A court here has ordered the local prosecutor's office to reopen its investigation into the death of Grzegorz Przemyk, the 18-year-old student who died last May of internal injuries after allegedly being beaten while in police custody

Dr Crocker is due to leave for Zambia.

Washington hopes: As Dr Croker left Washington yester day. US officials expressed cautious optimism (Nicholas Ashford writes).

A "Window of opportunity" for a settlement had been opened by South Africa's ceasefire offer, they said.

Cologne professor dies after lecture shooting

fessor died yesterday after being power the woman and hold her shot in the head on Tuesday by until police arrived. a former woman student armed . A Cologne police spokesman a former woman student armed A. Cologne police spokesman with five replica muzzle-loaded said yesterday: "The woman percussion pistols. Another has confessed to the shootings professor: slightly wounded, But she is refusing to make any other statment, and we do not hospital.

Professor Hamman student armed A. Cologne police spokesman said yesterday: "The woman percussion pistols." Another has confessed to the shootings other statment, and we do not yet know her motives.

She had driven to the

Only 55 days left to save EEC from financial collapse conditions were just not negohis series of informal talks by seeing Mrs Margaret Thatcher last Monday, but absolutely

nothing emerged from that

that he will be any more

forthcoming after his meeting

with Chancellor Helmut Kohl of West Germany next Thurs-

day and the first hope of hearing

him report on progress will be

when he makes a speech during

his state visit to Holland the following week. By then the summit will be only five weeks

There is no reason to think

There are only 55 days left, including weekends and holi-World grain
days, to save the EEC from collapse. That is the pessimistic view of a growing number of Brussels diplomats who are becoming increasingly alarmed at the very slow pace of negotiations since France took over the presidency of the Council of Ministers at the start

of the year. Britain is particularly auxious to inject more urgency into the

snail-pace bargaining.
The agricultural ministers. who have the most technical and difficult role, have yet to reopen their dossiers, which were shut at the Athens summit more than six weeks ago. Like the foreign ministers, who met for six hours this week for their first session of this year, they have done little more than discuss procedures and time-

tables. Those timetables are beginning to look hopelessly inad-equate. Both sets of ministers have only three scheduled making it increasingly difficult meetings before the European for President Mitterrand to summit in Brussels on March 19 and, if past form is anything to go by, they will spend little

meeting

more than a day actually Sir Geoffrey Howe, the working on the dossiers on each Foreign Secretary, repeated for

British concern is growing that France still cherishes the two main British claims - a fairer permanent budget for all dent's view at Athens that a short term budget deal was all

misconception that there can be room for compromise on the and an economically controlled agriculture policy. M Cheysson last week repeated his Presithat was necessary, while the violence of French farmers is agree to any meaningful reforms on agriculture without commit-

occasion. the umpteenth time in Brussels
President Mitterrand began on Monday that these two

The Kiessling Affair

Ministry defends trip by

Swiss editor to Bonn

With paintal embarrassment, the Ministry of Defence yesterday defended its decision to fly a publisher of a Zurich homosexual magazine to Boun last week to discuss his claims that General Ganter Kiessling had had saxual relations with a had had sexual relations with a

Disseldorf male prostitute.

The ministry insisted that since General Kiessling, dissince General Kiessling, dis-missed from his post as Nato's deputy Supreme Commander last month for alleged visits to homosexual hars in Cologne, had demanded a disciplinary hearing to clear his same. The Ministry was thus obliged to consider all evidence relating to the case.

The Government has confirmed that Herr Alexander Ziegler, a Swiss author and publisher of a magazine called Ziegler, a Swiss author and publisher of a magazine called Da and Ich, spent four and a half hours at the Ministry of Defence last Friday where he detailed his ciaim to have a tape recording of the prostitute asserting he had had sexual relations with General Kiessling in 1979. Herr Manfred Worner, the Defence Minister, was present for part of the was present for part of the meeting, as well as Herr Waldemar Schreckenberger, from the Chanceller's office, who heard the whole statement.



Herr Ziegler Detailed claim of prostitute tape. minister should receive Herr Ziegler as a witness and yet not talk to General Kiessling Political commentators have said it was "ridiculous and grotesque" for the Ministry to try to find conclusive proof for its sacking of General Klessling after the event. Herr Walter Kolbow, the Social Democratic

deputy chairman of the parlia-mentaly committee of inquiry. which begins work today, said when Herr Worner began letching homosexuals from abroad, he was close to activating the ejection seat to fire himself from office.

General Messling, who has repeatedly denied being a homosexual and is suing Herr Worner in clear his name, yesterday denied Herr Ziegler's claims.

The press has expressed astonishment at this latest twist in the affair, and has Schmückle, General Kiessi-

Hongkong talks resume

months of negotiations.

Both sides have new heads of delegation at the talks on the

Peking (AFP) - Sino-British over from Mr Yao Guang, Vice talks on the future of Hongkong resumed here yesterday with British team was led by Sir increasing evidence that progress has been made in seven months of negotiations. Both sides have near head of

delegation at the talks on the British colony over which "very good cooperation" with China plans to reassert sover Sir Richard, who expressed his wish for "nseful and construc-

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Moroccans clamp down on hoarding

From Godfrey Morrison Rabat

The Moroccan Government has launched a campaign to stamp out hoarding and specilation in basic foodstuffs after King Hassan's statement that prices would not be increased.

security forces had quelled a series of bloody riots in northern Morocco. The official news agency said

As in Tunisia, where there were serious food riots earlier

to have risen over the last year by up to 15 per cent. In the year to the end of December, 1983, the official price index rose 12.6

been published here which envisages continuing austerity; with a large cut in capital spending and a rise in current

The country was reported calm yesterday.

United States has

stepped up efforts to achieve a ceasine in Southern Augola and thus open the way to an agreement on Namibian inde-pendence, with the announce-ment that Dr Chester Crocker. Assistant Secretary of State for African Affaires, is visiting Cape Town for talks romorrow with Mr R. F. Boths, the South

a tour of African and European capitals, follows a flurry of diplomatic activity last week

shamed inot backing down and she is probably prepared to see the March summit be as big a failure as the Athens summit before she would give way on the two central issues. Were this happen it would be difficult

anything more on this now ... be to keep alive the South

From Our Correspondent, Bonn A Cologne University pro- professor were able to over-

Studies, was slightly wounded in the head when he appeared in more replica pistols and a gas the room after hearing the pistol, the spokesman added shooting. But he and another All the weapons were loaded.

was later discharged from other statment and we do not yet know her motives. We are continuing to question her."

aged 49, was fatally wounded when the woman, identified only as Sabine G, aged 32, walked into a hebrew studies lecture room brandishing two pistols and fired one at him at close range. He was hit in the left temple and collapsed.

Professor Johana Maier, aged 51, the director of the univers. She had driven to the

on in public life.

'li would have been comfort-

in his last television address.

Sir Joshua has been adamant that he will not forma coalition

government, so that his party faces the uphill task of winning eight seats in the 15-seat House

of Assembly as it did in 1980.

But the Rock's two oppo-sition forces maintain that the

£28m British Government deal

with Gibraltar for the docks'

help its economy to diversify. Mr Joe Bossano, head of Gibraltar's Socialist Labour Party, fighting as trade union leader a tailor-made election, campaigned as if he would send

Appledore packing and draw up, locally, alternative dockyard

conversion plans, but financed by the £28m aid from Britain. Three independents are con-testing the election and if one

gets in it might save Gibraltar

from the distinct possibility of a

Ethiopians

other bodies, it was alleged in

On one occasion the pilot of

aircraft with relief workers on

villagers being marched back

It was one of a number of

bogus schemes which the

Government in Addis Ababa

had used to extract money and goods from the West, he said. He also accused it of embezzi-

ing food intended for refugees

that this is the price we have to pay to lure the Ethiopians away

from the Soviet block. If this is

correct it is too high a price to

pay, and the oppressed people of Eritres and Ethiopia are

paying it, not us," he said at a meeting to launch the Horn of

Africa Committee, which has

been set up to focus public attention on this part of the

Lord Avebury accused the United Nations High Com-missioner for Refugees of

having double-crossed Ethio-pian refugees in Djibouti by

that any of them wanted to go.

God's will, therefore, that men

One of the attractions for

Swaziland has been the availability of casinos, economically

priced sex across the colour

line, and "soft porn" movies. Prince Andrew's former gir-

Ifriend, Miss Koo Stark, starring in The Awakening of

These facilities, hanned in white-ruled South Africa, can

now also be enjoyed nearer

home, in South Africa's tribal

"homelands", and Swaziland's mildly risqué night life is no

longer the tourist-puller it once

It is certain that Prince Bhekimpi's remarks would

have been approved in advance

by the Liququ, the supreme

council of state, whose dozen or more members are mainly very

conservative princes and chiefs.

the time, Prince Gabheni Diamini, a modernist who

defended the right of women to choose their own form of dress.

made the tactical error of siding

with Queen Dzeliwe, the Queen

she eventually lost.

An attempt 18 months ago by a group of MP's to have the

Emily was a big hit last year.

should lead the way'

world.

Prince on God's will

Swazi women lectured

on see-through clothes

From Michael Hornsby, Johannesburg

"It is the accepted wisdon

London yesterday.

hung parliament.

From Richard Wigg, Gibraltan

The people of Gibraltar vote voters that the Rock's uncertain today in a general election which is being seen as a virtual referendum on the deal worked out with Britain to turn the Royal Navy's former dry docks into a commercial enterprise from next January 1.

In the present harsh economic climate everything turns on the issue of redundancies among the voters. Some 770 dockyard workers already know they will be dismissed, signalling a sea change for the Rock's tiny economy, which has been dependent for centuries on spending by the Services.

Sir Joshua Hassan, the Chief Minister, has been fighting his toughest campaign in 20 years. defending last year's agreement with Mrs Margaret Thatcher to bring in Appledore International to manage the commercial dry docks operation, as "the only way ahead". This is the slogan of his centrist Gibraltar Labour Party, in what has been dubbed the "dockyard clection" here.

Sounding defensive and look-ing tired, Sir Joshua, aged 68, told Gibraltar's 16,000 elegible



Joshua Hassan: Fighting toughest campaign

Thousands

Russia tries to bring Romania in line From Richard Owen

Mr Andrei Gromyko, the Soviet Foreign Minister, is to visit Romania next week for talks on controversial Soviet block issues, including Warsaw Pact unity on ancient missiles and failure to agree on an economic future, aggravated by the only partial opening of the

frontier with Spain is the principle reason for his staying A statement by Tass said Mr Gromyko, who met Mr George Shuitz, the US Secretary of State last week in Stockholm in able to let other people fight this the first high level Soviet-American encounter for six months, would visit Bucharest at the end of this month. It gave no precise dates. election. But I have obtained a very fair package and I feel a duty to see it implemented over the next four years. No one could have obtained a better

Romania, a maverick mem-ber of the Warsaw Pact, does deal". Sir Joshua told the voters not allow military manoeuvres on its territory and has repeatedly called for the elim-ination of nuclear weapons in both East and West. Last month. Romania boycotted a meeting of Soviet block ideo-logical party secretaries in

Sir Joshua clearly stakes every-thing on Gibraltarian's clinging to his proven leadership in Mr Gromyko's talks with Romanian leaders come at a time when Moscow is seeking maximum Soviet block unity after the opening of the Stockholm disarmament

conference.
Deputy prime ministers of the Soviet block countries have been meeting in Moscow this week to discuss a long delayed Comecon summit due to be held. commercialization is not the viable alternative promised in the 1981 Defence White Paper. Mr Peter Isola, leader of the Democratic Party of British Gibraltar (with six seats in the at the end of next month. The last Assembly) has pledged that summit is in doubt due to President Andropov's continuif he wins he will renegotiate the deal with Britain. He says Gibraltar needs a further £5m to

ing illness. The Soviet press yesterday



Peace quest: Mr Trudeau, the Canadian Prime Minister (left) on a peace mission to Prague, with his son Sacha and Mr Lubomir Strongal, the Czechoslovak Prime Minister.

pects for a Soviet block summit to discuss East-West issues but said Comecon had prepared a series of economic agreements which might be ratified at a future Comecon summit.
The Soviet press said yester-

ing to coordinate Soviet block agriculture in accordance with last October's Berlin meeting, but denied that this amounted to an "emergency package" designed too salvage agriculture in Eastern Europe.

Argentina high on agenda as Thatcher flies to Rome

From Peter Nichols Rome

Mrs Margaret Thatcher arrives here tonight for a round of talks colourlessly described as normal, bilateral consultations, which, nevertheless may prove unexpectedly

Apart from the perennial questions of the British contribution to the Community budget and ways which Europeans can impose themselves more effectively on Washing-ton, the Italians propose a close look at the Polish situation, a thorough review of the multinational force in Lebanon and a study of the sign of possible improvement in British relations with Argentina.

In this last field, Signor Bettino Craxi, the Prime Minister, sees a special role for lialy. There is no question yet of mediation, but Italian good offices will be available to help improve matters. improve matters.

On Tuesday Signor Craxi received Senor Danie Caputo, the Argentine Foreign Minister, for private talks. The Italians are aware that sovereignty over the Falklands is not yet a point for discussion, but they believe it is time steps were taken, unilaterally if necessary, to change the psychological

Such change would help public opinion on both sides to envisage moves aimed at reestablishing more normal relations. Given the strong ties Italy has with Argentina, Signor Craxi sees a chance for a role, and his associates feel his relationship with Mrs Thatcher

Naples elects mayor

Signor France Picardi.
Social Democrat, has been can well expect to outstay the elected Mayor of Naples, multinational force. frequently described as the most uncomfortable chair in Italy (Our Rome Correspondent writes).

His predecessor, Senator Maurizio Valenzi, a Commu-nist who held the post for eight years, showed Signor Picardi to his seat and said: "I do not envy you." The new mayor leads a minority administration and is expected to call elections once he has managed to win approval for a budget.

is based on a common sense of

Talks on the future of the multinational force in Lebanon is now past when it was supposed that three of the four contributing countries and perhaps all, were near to a decision to withdraw because of the change in the task facing

There is now a feeling that the troops will have to remain, but that means a strategy must be devised to make their resence constructive.
The Italians are "restructur-

diminishing somewhat the total, but making it more effective. They remain the largest component of the force. "The Americans," as one official said, "have more bombs, but we have more men there."

The second point about Lebanon concerns the appraisal back to London.

the British and Italians make of Syrian intentions. The Italians believe that President Assed

Signor Craxi is in communication with him, but there is no clear idea of what Syrian intentions really are. They could be territorial and, in particular, aimed at regaining the Golan Heights from Israel or aimed more at increasing Syria's relative weight in the Arab world because of its prominence in Lebanese affairs.

In another sphere, Poland will form part of the problem of relations with the East, brightened in the Italian as well as the British view by President Reagan's latest statement.

There will be a special contribution from Signor Craxi, who has been briefed on the talks last week between the Pope and Cardinal Glemp, the Bolish Brimsto. The Vatican Polish Primate. The Vatican has told him that diplomatic relations could well be established this year with Poland.

Rome and the cardinal have, nowever, imposed a condition that, in the interim, the church's role in Poland's national life be clearly defined.

Mrs Thatcher's talks with Signor Craxi will last for little more than half a day. She ing their force, which means arrives tonight with four members of the Cabinet. They will be guests at a dinner given by Signor Craxi at Castel Sant'Angelo.

The principal talks will take place tomorrow. In the after-noon Mrs Thatcher will see President Pertini before flying

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of Burmese accused of flee fighting aid charade From Our Correspondent By Henry Stanhope Diplomatic Correspondent Bangkok In the heaviest fighting for 10 Ethiopia has been forcing years between Burmese governpeople to pose as refugees to earn more than £14m in aid from the United Nations and ment forces and rebels in north

eastern Burma, clashes con-tinued for the fourth day yesterday after 6,000 Burmese civilians fled into Thailand to escape the violence. Loyal Thai officials have sent board saw a column of 2,000 messages to the Burmese

nuthorities urging them to home after taking part in this restrict the fighting, which charade, according to Lord threatens to spill over into Avebury, the Liberal peer. A Thai Supreme Command spokesman in Bangkok said

more than 20 Burmese shells had landed in Thailand, damaging houses, schools and a police station. Unconfirmed reports say some Thai villagers have by diverting it to the army. been killed and wounded. The current campaign is against the largely Christian

Karens, who have been in rebellion since Burma became independent 36 years ago, and is the most sustained in a decade, according to Thai border officials. They say the battle began with three days of artillery and

mortar bombardment of rebel positions at Mac Taw Wah, a town 100 miles north of Mae Sot, an important Thai centre on the border, and the rebels second biggest stronghold.

Phosphorous shells set alight the market and destroyed it, forcing them to be repatriated, together with 300 surrounding although there was no evidence

A stern warning to the women of Swaziland to observe

greater modesty in their dress

has been issued by Prince Bhekimpi Dlamini, the Prime

Minister, in a policy speech to

the new members of Parliament

elected in a complicated tribal process towards the end of last

The Prime Minister orged women to "threw away" slacks,

mini-skirts and see-through

clothes and "buy decent clothing to wear in public". He

noted that in Malawi "people

are stopped at the airport if

before they enter the country and mix with the people".

were to be introduced in

Swaziland, but he seemed to

hint at it. In his own chiefdom in northern Swaziland, fairly

strict sartorial rules have been

The Prime Minister also

took a dim view of women's liberation, saying. While we want our women in Swazielad

to progress in all sectors of our institutional life, they must respect men and know their

"If you think it is right that

women should lead the way,

then let it be, but learn one

thing from me: :God created

men and then created women from the man's fib. It was

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in force for some time.

Prince Bhekimpi did not say whether similar regulations

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From Richard Hanson, Tokyo

· The Japanese Government

The focal point of last-minute term defence build-up pro-haggling was defence, an area in which lapan's ally, the United now dated outline drawn up in States, has exerted strong pressure for increased spending.
Mr Yasuhiro Nakasone (1976)

Salume which is based on a now dated outline drawn up in 1976

Official development profile in defence than his cent rise.

General expenditure slipped

In a hair-splitting compromise, Mr Nakasone gave the defence agency a 6.55 per cent rise for fiscal 1984, to 2.935 billion yen; slightly above 1983's 6.5 per cent rise and just within the still politically sensitive Cabinet guideline holding defence spending to I per cent of gross national product. Though this is more eleight of hand than a reflection sleight of hand than a reflection ised by Mr Nakasone in his of actual spending (by Nato election campaign in December calculations Japan is above | - the Government increased per cent already). Mr Nakasone taxes on a wide range of daily is unprepared to breach that consumer items, and put up

But overall, the 50,627 yen budget expanded only 0.5 per cent compared with 1983's original, a point which should assure Americans that Japan is at least serious about the defence question.

The budget authorizations yesterday approved an austere national budget draft for fiscal 1984, starting April I, which gives priority, though on a modest scale, to defence and foreign aid and squarely places the burden on consumers and business.

The focal point of last-minute the budget authorizations will allow the Defence Agency and the Defence Agency will allow the Defence Agency to order 17 more F15 fighter and three escort destroyers. This is less than requested but more than budget officials wanted to allow. Japan is running behinded the proposition of the p

Mr Yasuhiro Nakasone, the designated as the other excep-Prime Minister, has been more tion to total austerity. The receptive to raising the nation's Foreign Ministry won a 9.5 per

(by 0.1 per cent) for the first time in 29 years as the Finance Ministry cut all but essential spending needs to cut back on deficit covering bond issues. Even so, a quarter of the budget will be funded by bonds.

Budget austerity will be felt most sharply by the general public. To fund a moderate income tax reduction - promrates on such basic services as national medical insurance.

Companies will also be forced to absorb a "temporary" rise in corporate taxes by 1.3 per cent over the already heavy 42 per cent rate currently levied by the national government.

This would permit believe Dr Soares hopes the partners. This would permit passage of the Bill will refurbish his somewhat tarnished image



Diamond wedding: Emperor Hirohito, aged 82, and Empress Nagako, who is 80, looking through a photograph album on the eve of their sixtieth wedding anniversary today.

Abortion Bill clash threatens Soares

The Social Democrats strongly oppose the abortion Bill presented to Parliament in

The abortion debate which when an official complaint has as a leader of the left. He can opened in the Portuguese been lodged, when the mother's expect the backing of the Parliament yesterday is threatening to break up the Socialist-Social Democratic coalition led by Dr Mario Soares, the Prime Minister.

The Social Democratistrongly creats are Catholics who do not controlled to the social Democratic coalition of the Social Democratic creats are Catholics who do not controlled to the social Democratic creats are Catholics who do not controlled to the social Democratic creats are Catholics who do not controlled to the social Democratic creats are catholics and create are catholics are catholics as the social creates are catholics as accept any cause for abortion.

Communists to pass it.
On the other hand, he has said publicly that he will not continue as Prime Minister if the coalition splits and the Social Democrats withdraw

though his Socialist Party continues to govern.

The Catholic Church has vigorously opposed the Bill.

from the Government, even

Sri Lanka after the communal violence.
A sturdy looking Tamil in a refugee camp on the outskirts of Jaffna turned out to be a former air force engineer, and had quit the forces during the July troubles last year and run

We spoke of his prospects for employment - not bright -and then considered what and then considered what would happen to the country if the all-party talks then continuing in Colombo should break down.

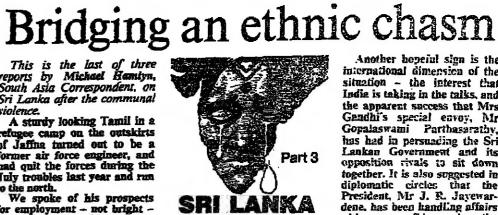
This is the last of three reports by Michael Hamlyn, South Asia Correspondent, on

"The future is", he said, and his eyes glittered, "that we want arms."

A few miles away at the campus of Jaffina University a student expinined that it was not long since the Sinhalese Government changed the rules for minerality and the sinhalese for minerality and the Government changed the rules for university entry from straight merit to a mixing of racial and other rules that effectively reduced the Tamil intake. He dated the growth of the Tamil terrorist groups from that moment... The young people, instead of being admitted to higher education, took to the gum.

"Since the attacks on Tamil students in the south." he added, "at least 90 have disappeared to join the terror-

Meanwhile down in Colombo a sensible and civilized Sinhalese explained: "Sri Lanka is the only place where Sinhale is spoken. Tamil is in no danger: there are 50 million people there are 50 million people. speaking it in India. We must



Tamils wary and distrustful

do all we can to protect our language and the Buddhist

It was Sri Lanka which gave its fairy-tale name (Serendip) to serendipity, the ability to go through life making happy and accidental discoveries. But as time has passed a solution to the dreadful ethnic rivalry between the two ancient peoples of the island has become more and more difficult. Attitudes are now dangerously polarized.

Ever since Sinhalese politicians found at the time of independence that the way to political power was to pander to Sinhala chanvinism the disabilities heaped upon the Tamils have grown. The Tamils are now wary and distrustful

"There have been a number of talks in the past which have resulted in bitter disappointment for us", a Tamil civil servant said. "The most recent was the sell-out over the district development councils. We cooperated fully in setting them up, and tried to make them work, only to find that they were cynically under-mined, and we were less well off with them than with centralized government."

And yet there are some hopeful signs. The Tamil politicians have gone into the talks prepared to negotiate again. They have even indicated that they are prepared to give up the idea of separation if they can be given something to guarantee their security and the integrity of their lands.

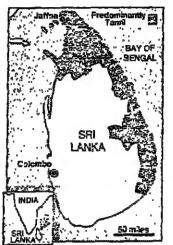
The Buddhist monks, who

are represented at the round table talks and who are widely, though not necessarily accu-rately, regarded as the most chauvinist group there, are urging non-violence all round. They have promised the Tamil leaders that something can be done to increase their security.

international dimension of the situation - the interest that Indie is taking in the talks, and the apparent success that Mrs Gandhi's special envoy, Mr Gopalaswami Parthasarathy, has had in persuading the Sri opposition rivals to sit down together. It is also suggested in diplomatic circles that the President, Mr J. R. Jayewardene, has been handling affairs with more confidence since the visit to his office of the US Secretary of Defence, Mr Caspar Weinberger, and the long chat be had with the American special General Walters.

But the most hopeful sign of all is the virtual impossibility of creating an independent Tamil state as envisaged by the Tamii separatists. The Tamils have in mind to separate the northern and eastern provinces into a state they propose to cali Tamil Eciam. But a glance at the map would show them the impracticality of establishing and defending a border that would wander acress the countryside - following no natural boundary - for 300 to 400 miles.

if the worst came to the worst and the Tamiis did establish a precarious ladependence, it would have to be restricted to the northernmost part of the Island. There they would necessarily be worse off than they are now. If, however, they can establish some form of regional antonomy for the northern and castern provinces by peaceful discussion they must be better off.



Sinhalese quit talks

From Our Correspondent, Colombo

The all-party conference on the problems of the Tamil minority suffered a setback on withdrew from the conference. At the same time, however,

three representatives of the should be given priority.

Ceylon Sinhalese Buddhist They also stated organizations, who had claimed Sinhalese organizations because of "the intervention of some external forces" were admitted. and were regardeed as being representative of the Sinhalese organizations.

The three Sinhalese representatives who walked out have sent a letter to President Tuesday when the three Jayewardene, saying that the representatives of Sinhalese conference should first identify organizations who staged a temporary walk-out last Friday, solution. But they conceded that the problems of the Tamils

opposition to the proposals that they had been kept out of contained in a document placed the original delegation of the before the conference which contained some of the tentative proposals which President Jayewardene had discussed with the Indian Prime Minister, Mrs Indira Gandhi, in Delhi, last December.

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Afghanistan replaces its top brass

From Our Own Correspondent

A new chief of the general staff has been appointed in Afghanistan after the dismissal of several high military officials and officers by President Bar-brak Karmal, according to Western Diplomats in Delhi.

General Baba Jan. who was thought to have been too old and ineffective for the job, has been replaced as chief of the general staff by a younger more aggressive general, the former commander-in-chief of the Air Force, General Nazar Muham-

A new first deputy minister of defence has also been appointed, according to the diplomats. He is Major-General Muhammad Nabi Azimi, former commander of the 17th Armoured Division.

Pakistan holds 258 en drugs charges

From Gur Correspondent

Pakistan's military regime has detained 258 people, on charges of being habitual smugglers, particularly of drugs. The detention, under martial law, deprives them of the right to seek redress from any civil court.

Mr Roedad Khan, the Secretary-General of the Interior Ministry, said that in 1983 antismuggling agencies seized 5.850lb of heroin besides other struggled goods, valued at 290m rupees (about £15m). He said Pakistan's long borders with India. Afghanistan and Iran. stretching 1.500 miles, made it difficult to take effective measures against

Greece tames CIA-style intelligence agency

From Mario Modiano, Athens

political intrigue and sub-Government control," version, is being demilitarized spokesman explained. and brought under the direct authority and control of Mr Andreas Papandreou, the Prime

A Government spokesman said the revamped service, better known here as KYP from its Greek initials, would deal exclusively with matters affecting national security, not, as it has done in the past, collecting information about Greek

Under a draft law tabled in Parliament on Monday, KYP becomes a "self-contained civilian service" under the Prime Ministers' orders. Government critics claimed the move was designed to bring the service under the control of the ruling Socialist Party.

A decree to be enacted later will empower the Prime Minister to restructure the sevice, remodel its establish-ment and define the qualifiwant to have an intelligence applications

Greece's Central Intelligence service comparable to that of Services, once a hotbed of other countries and under strict political intrigue and sub- Government control." the

KYP was set up in 1952 with American guidance and technical aid. It was naturally modelled on the United States Central Intelligence Agency with which it was in close cooperation at least until the Socialists came to power in

Most of the Greek colonels who staged the military coup in 1967 were connected with KYP, and it is this link that gave rise to left-wing allegations that the coup had been engineered by

KYP was invariably headed by retired Army generals and staffed with military and police officers.
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ment advertised for qualified personnel with university degrees in a variety of fields without giving details. Some successful applicants who later discovered they were being cations of its personnel. "We hired by KYP, withdrew their

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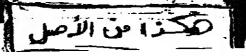
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THE ARTS

To the German film director Wim Wenders America looked like a place of myth and hope. He has been working there again, on Paris, Texas. Melinda Camber Porter interviewed him on the set

Pioneering the breakaway from introspection

"Most movies about men and women describe relationships as a total disaster or they describe them, in the wrong way, as beautiful, as if love can overcome everything. So I felt that this film should make an effort to show, not a solution, not a way out. nor a Utopia, but just show some sort of transcendence like a man jumping over his own shadow or some sort of reverse order of things, where everything would be do-able again. So that's what we're trying to do." Thus speaks Wim Wenders, the young German director who has been shooting his eleventh feature film, Paris, Texas, in and around Houston and Los Angeles. and Los Angeles.

The screenplay (conceived by Wenders and the playwright/actor Sam Shepard) was still undergoing changes when I arrived on the set and Wenders was allowing the natural character development of Travis (Harry Dean Stanton). Jane (Nastassia Kinski) and their child (Hunter Carson) to determine his rewrites. Sam Shepard was on the telephone from Iowa, monitoring the changes that Kit Carson, author of the film Breathless, was dictating on location.

Mr Carson is the father of Hunter Carson, and he says that the story of Paris, Texas mirrors his own in many ways: that of a man who leaves his child and wife and returns in order to bring about some new relationship or family bond. But Wenders stresses that he is not just interested in the lonely self-discovery of Travis, For the first time in his career, he is attempting to explore a woman's development

"It was a lot even to consider as a main theme of a movie for me, and that was a big step, not just to have it be one of several underlying subjects but to say, hey, this is what the movie is about My own life had been so much dominated by my work in the movies and I had identified so much with that work. The last three films that I had made had all dealt with the cinema :tself."

Wenders seems relieved to be working within the restrictions of a low budget. Paris, Texas is being financel by Channel 4 and French and German television. His attempt to work with American finance proved disastrous when Coppola agreed to produce Hammett but ended up trying to interfere with the direction of the film. Wenders demards total control over his method of working and material, but within that freedom lies the possibility of contradicting his own assumptions:



Wenders in America - shooting Reverse Angle in New York

"I feel that I am in more control than I can handle. I know my theme so well that it scares me. Usually I don't know that. You see, I can't stand working on a movie if the work itself and the actual making of the movie isn't also some sort of a discovery, isn't also some sort of an adventure. One really can't discover the characters until one starts shooting. The ending comes out of them and they actually 'wrote' this story to the point where it is now."

Watching Wenders directing his actors is like watching a painter sensitive to each change in texture and tone, without being able to see the actual canvas. Sometimes he demands retakes of what appears to be a simple gesture: "The hardest part,

though, is to make everybody believe that it's going to make sense. If I tried to do it any other way, by first making a big sketch that everybody could look at - well, I couldn't do it. "It's not a coincidence that Sam

and I work together. So we have something in common. Stories to tell. Yes. Maybe Sam is looking for something similar in America to what I was looking for out of Europe and that I saw in America, and Sam sees it in the West. That of being a kind of hope, or a place where there was still some sort of change taking place. I don't know. Or at least the West for him - at least in the plays of his, there is still this mythical place that for me

Does he feel that American society

has realized, in any form, its Utopian dreams? "No, I think the opposite is true. I think that all the people who fled from Europe in the seventeenth century, and the nineteenth century. were trying to avoid inequities in Europe and hoped that this was the country where all these abuses wouldn't hit them any more. I think it was totally reversed, in that all these abuses have installed themselves on a much bigger scale here in America. We've just imported them."

Wenders is, paradoxically, more comfortable when he finds himself on the peripheries of an unknown, be it his artistic choices or his personal life. His fascination with America is based on the indefinable nature of society. "The very idea of being a

pioneer hasn't existed in Europe for five hundred years, except for those Europeans who left to explore the Antarctic, but, otherwise, there is no notion of a very ordinary person becoming, in a sense, a pioneer, by moving someplace new with his family. So there's this whole long culture and tradition that has totally eliminated the possibility of being a

Wenders has consistently been drawn to landscapes where one cannot remain: freeways, motels. deserts and open country. Looking out at the mirrored skyscraper upon skyscraper of the Houston skyline, he surprises by saying that this mod-ernity is not alienating for him, but rather a part of his aesthetic.

Equality is the key theme of Paris. Texas, and Wenders believes it is essential in all relationships, although true equality is hard to achieve. "I think it's more that Travis realizes that what he has inside him, the feelings that he has, the good feelings that he has, that it is not fair towards Jane, the woman, not to share it with her, the same way he could share it with a kid."

Wenders has a natural bond with children. In his previous films, such Alice in the Cities, his direction of the child was as sensitive as Truffaut's achievement with child actors. Watching him frolicking on the set with Hunter Carson, one sees a boyish vigour and unmasked joy radiating through his somewhat guarded man-

"I lived with a boy for seven years. but he was not my child. And also you can never have any equal relationship to a child if you don't have any of a child left in you. And that's the real test between an adult and a child. How much child there is still in you. They sense it pretty quickly and they are pretty accurate about phony

"Story-telling in general reassures not only kids but adults, and it does have a stabilizing effect. Just by the very fact that it has a structure. It's something firm and it starts somewhere and it ends somewhere. Everything that real life doesn't really tend to do. I really don't know what I would have done without these films that I make. I would probably have found some other sort of experience, but I feel that I not only measure my life through these 10 movies that I've made so far but that the changes that I have gone through are always enforced by the films I make."

Television

Intimate inhibitions

about to lunch. It was an aware of his Jewishness.
intimate affair in Paris prefaced, His introduction to film was intimate affair in Paris prefaced, possibly to stress the informality of an occasion that be immediately witnessed by a camera crew and subsequently by last night's late audience on Channel 4. by a brief discussion on the genitalia of the smail, Mr James's first

Interviews tend to be artificial confrontations. Given the choice, interviewer and interviewee, unless they are com-plete egomaniacs, would probably prefer to be somewhere else, even if it were only at home watching a television interview. Mr Polanski, one supposes, would have additional inhibitions for, as he rightly anticipated, he was to be questioned about the ghastly murder of his pregnant wile Sharon Tate and about his bail-hopping from California where he faced a charge of having sex with a minor.

Though undoubtedly a bril-liant film director, he is probably better known for these two incidents, Currently, he has a biography on the market, which made an interview useful for him and fair meat for Mr

His personal catastrophes loomed large from the begin-ning. Mr Polanski's early background came through sketchily though it had meat,

"If I had a 15-year-old daughter, I would think twice before I let him take her to dinner", said brought up in the county by Clive James, introducing friends of his father, only the Roman Polanski, whom he was woman of the house being

through the wire of the Cracow ghetto. He watched the projec-tion of newsreel on the walls. Later he saw German films ("lousy") and, postwar, became hooked on Robin Hood, He ollowed his fascination with he medium into the Polish film chool where he learnt his usiness before going west. The capitalist system, though not perfect, he judged the best

oossible. The Sixties, he said, were his best time. His marriage to Sharon Tate was a peak, though the happiness had not lasted long enough to be tested. Her murder, he acknowledged, had probably made him unbalanced for a time.

He thanked Mr James for waiting for coffee to broach the subject of his predifection for young girls. "You want the nitty-gritty?" No, said Mr James, he did not. He wanted to know what happened shat sick. know what happened that night, which sounded like the nittycritty. In fact, it was afternoon, Mr Polanski explained, and, had Mir James seen the girl, he would not have been particularly shocked.
There was further discussion

about Mr Polanski's attraction for women in general, but little sparkle. That is the trouble with

Dennis Hackett

Theatre Man as victim

Double bill Old Red Lion

Reaching London via the Edinburgh Festival, these two french monodramas both feature a distraught male victim pleading his cause to an unseen listener, and obliquely implicating the audience in his past sufferings. There the resemblance comes to an end, and it was a wise move by the Almeida Company to open the programme with Bernard-Marie Coltes's Twilight Zone rather than its pathetically hilarious sequel, Michel Tournier's The

Twilight Zone is the conession of a nameless outcast adrift in an alien country who stumbles into a bare room and pours out the story of his rumiliations and fantasies to an imaginary "brother" before declaring that he is breaking "brother" before

that henceforth this is his place. The English translation, by Peter Cox, deploys a conspicuously literate syntax and is full of internal echoes and recapitulating loops; and most of it is reduced to a high-speed mono-tone by the black actor Trevor Laird, who reserves emphasis

angry defiance. He is a powerful performer, but attention drifts.

The Fetishist may seem a trivial companion piece, but it is specific and beautifully organized, and it has found the right actor in Christopher Craig. True to the title, it concerns a man who prefers knickers to what goes inside them. But M Tournier gives his hero a fetishistic philosophy as well as a biography. His view is that lingerie has as much right to a happy life as those who buy it.

From the moment that, as a cavalry soldier, he is laid low by his first flash, he has devoted himself unswervingly to this purpose. First as a PoW, then as a husband ransacking lingerie counters throughout the country and picking pockets to pay for it, he presents himself simultaneously as a selfices benefactor and a hopeless addict

From Mr Craig's performance, eyes downcast and nertogether after a decade in a mental hospital, pity accumulates as much as farce. But his final moment, standing gal-lantly to attention to salute a washing-line of his favourite exhibits, makes you wonder whether he is a victim after all.

Irving Wardle

Comic Cuts

Nuffield, Southampton

In the Garstwyke Alhambra near Hull, we are asked to believe, there sits a sharp-suited shark called Greenwood, raking in not only a fortune from bingo but a £200,000 Arts Council grant for completely fictitious theatrical productions. As theatre cleaner, he exploits his mentally retarded son, who goes about muttering "bloodybloody" or, for variety, "bloody

Two blokes, one called Alice, plan to burgle the safe. Another bloke called Shirley with a joke mother-in-law and a frustrated wife prints fictitious drama reviews for the "ponces" in Piccadilly. (This sexless marriage, of course, heralds eventual, sentimental reunion and a coitus-shaken set.) Panicking at the news of an impending Arts Council inspection, the whole crew don frockcoats and crinolines for a hasty staging of, would you credit it, The Government Inspector.

As a cobbled-up contraption for raising laughs, Stephen Mallatrati's farce is more cynically senseless than most but, surprisingly, the audience fell for it. Most of the dialogue. especially in the messy stop-go first act, is even feebler than the average television comedy, but the clever lines are worse. Greenwood asks his eavesdrop-ping son "Tell me, sly slime,

• The first exhibition ever devoted to English Rococo, subtitled "Art and Design in Hogarth's England", is to be mounted by the Victoria and Albert Museum, opening on May 16. The exhibition includes loans from public and collections in the private United States and France as well as Britain, and is to include a reconstruction of part of Vauxhaii Gardens, complete

with supper boxes and Roubi liac's statue of Handel,



Anniversary classics the concert by Lionel Friend, Capricorn/Friend Oueen Elizabeth Hall expended.

Concerts

What better way for a performing group to celebrate its tenth anniversary than by giving a concert of good old classics? Capricorn, who have been responsible for a good many first performances over the years, did exactly that on Tuesday - with a programme of Schoenberg, Berg and Webern. Only in the instance of Berg's

Chamber Concerto would I tentatively dare to question the music's quality. Despite the rich scoring, the heady profusion of ideas and the Brahmsian sense of proportion, the work's structure contains just a whiff of contrivance. The very idea of the solo pianist and violinist taking turns to play movements before coming together in the admittedly heady euphoria of the Rondo seems artificial, although the movements taken individually combine brilliant organizational skill with freeranging passions.

The violin soloist, Elisabeth Perry, tackled with equal success the sweeping lyricism of the central Adagio and the swirling restlessness of the finale, while her pianist colleague, Julian Jacobson, skated, skipped, hammered and sang his way through the sonata-vari-ations of the first movement with equivalent aplomb. But the work is really a concerto for every player, and Capricorn, conducted here as throughout

LSO/Previn

Festival Hali

The fiftieth anniversary of Elgar's death has only just begun to be celebrated, yet already his enigma has been presented head-on, and by the orchestra with which he was closely associated in the early years of this century as principal conductor and as leader of its first provincial tour.

Under Andre Previn's direction, the London Symphony Orchestra, playing on Tuesday as well as they have done for months, stimulated, questioned and challenged in often quite extraordinarily revelatory performances, from the first bars of the Cockaigne Overture to the last note of the "Enigma"

Variations. The paradoxes and ambivalences suspended so lightly and pointed so vividly by Previn in these two works found their sharpest focus in Yo Yo Ma's central performance of the Cello Concerto, a work given its first performance by this orchestra in 1919. Its fiercely concentrated opening recitative contained the seeds of that rare breadth of emotional experience which the soloist can find in a single line, and which he used throughout the work to articu-

gave a superlative reading that almost succeeded in making and concentration were being

No such exhaustion after Webern's Concerto for nine instruments, Op 24, written when the composer was ex-panding his forms after reaching the limits of distilled expressionism. Even so, the work, takes less than ten minutes. though during that time Webern says an awful lot and in an exceedingly beautiful way.

After a slightly wooden first movement, Capricorn's playing suddenly became wonderfully natural and fluent. The contours of the slow movement were shaped with attention to the broad cantabile phrases as well as the individual two and three-note cells. And the finale. a scherzo in all but name, bounced along joyfully, glittering with colour and brimming with inventiveness.

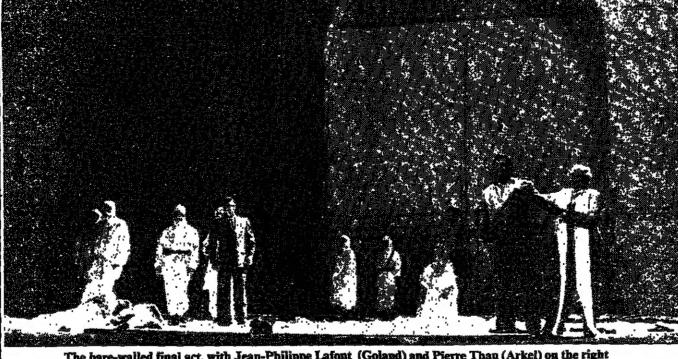
Finally, we heard Schoen-berg's Pierrot Lunaire, "three times seven" settings of Giraud that delve deeply into the bizarre, macabre and haunting psyche of the musing clown Sarah Walker's accurately pitched sprechstimme captured the elusiveness and eternal ambiguities of the character, while the equally finely pointed instrumental playing (notwithstanding all those canons and palindromes) also added to the sense of fear and mysterv.

Stephen Pettitt

late his deeply perceptive interpretation.

It was a reading which, in richness of idea and response, it would take one long past deadline time to digest fully. For the time being only elements and clues surface: the vibrant balance maintained between urgent involvement sense of an almost Sisyphus-like struggle against weight and descent in the finale; the indivisibility of bow and baton within Previo's matterful discount within Previn's masterful direction of the orchestral accompaniment.

That same lively ebb and flow between solo voice and orchestral body contributed, in the "Enigma" Variations, to Previn's drawing out of the work's supple whimsicality, and to his engendering of a constant sense of clusive mystery through its variations. In its liquid wind phrasing, its teasing rhythms and, most remarkably. in the long tense restraint of "Nimrod's" growth, this per-formance left room, where present and still unguessed.



The bare-walled final act, with Jean-Philippe Lafout (Goland) and Pierre Thau (Arkel) on the right

Maeterlinck's bluff is called at last

Monnaie, Brussels

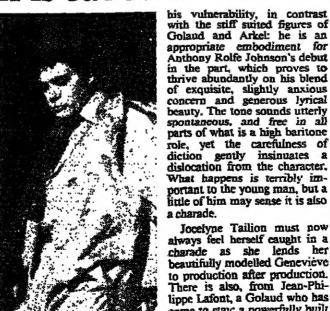
One had always thought that the emptiness of Maeterlinck's drama was a positive advan-tage, that it offered the necess-ary invitation to Debussy to bring Pelleas et Mélisande into some real existence with music. Now a fellow Belgian, the film-maker Andre Delvaux, has called Maeterlinck's bluff. Instead of seizing the play's clusive phrases into a flesh-andblood tragedy, as was for instance Harry Kupfer's way at the Coliseum, M Delvanx has withdrawn to a distance from which he can inspect the text, often contradict it, and attempt between urgent involvement, and strange distancing in the the very much more precise patterns of timbre and phrasing though ambiguous data of Debussy's music. It is in the to pierce through its screens to littered with detritus. best sense an experimental production that the Brussels Opera have got themselves, and as such it may take a little while to become properly efficient. Still, the significance of the experiment is clear, it has turned the lazy questions of Maeterlink's play into steel instruments for a surgical exploration of its meaning.

An index of the production's seriousness is its treatment of Yniold's solo scene in the fourth act, normally a children's corner in the opera but here absolutely central. Typically M Delvaux achieves the change by transforming symbols into severe stage actualities. The effect can be crass, as when the many do not, for questions to boy tries to shift not a stone but remain, and for Elgar's "dark a grand piano: the weight of the saying" to be everywhere music in this production has already been thoroughly felt, ing Macterlinck's pretensions, But other aspects of the scene she is puncturing too the

Pelléas et Mélisande that is so powerfully persuasive.
Yniold is the only character to make any contact with the dialogue with the Shepherd. M Delvaux, however, cuts off that line of communication. The Shepherd's part is sung by Yniold as in a game, and the outside world features instead in a dim vision of operatives engulfed in white overalls. They precipitate Yniold's departure so that the opera can proceed to its climax of love and death in the next scene, just as they have appeared before, in advance of the prelude, to set Mélisande on her course, and just as they will appear again in the last act to collect her from a stage opened out to the bare rear wall and

The overalls and the cautious movements suggest people examining a Soveso-type catastrophe, or workers at a nuclear plant handling exceedingly dangerous material: both images are apt. But the outsiders also give a firm if unexplained reality to Maeterlinck's "destiny", in that the dynamic of fate is replaced by that of their observation. Mélisande begins as one of them. She is then placed in Allemonde while the watchers wait, and she penetrates layer upon layer of the castle: rather vulgar drops carrying lighting patterns out of Barnett Newman are lifted one by one until the stage stands vacant and black for the cistern scene. At the centre of the riddle is a great emptiness, which once

exposed must collapse.
But if this Mélisande, sung with chilled stilled purity by Britt-Marie Aruhn, is punctur



Anthony Rolfe Johnson's lyrical Pelleas

ters. Dressed in lustrous modern fabrics to a 1930s cut, these are surely not the creatures of Maeterlinck's imagination but people investigating within and largely for themselves what it might be like to be the confused youth, the ogrous husband and the resiged elders. It is a delicate line to take on a dramatic work, and it demands from the cast both a tight control and a willingness to play dangerously.

On this level there are no questions. The Pelléas, or perhaps it should be pseudo-Pelléas, is a young man in the loose attire of a Humphrey Hilary Finch assist the estranging of the opera pretensions of the other charac- Bogart, one prepared to show

his vulnerability, in contrast with the stiff suited figures of Golaud and Arkel: he is an appropriate embodiment for Anthony Rolfe Johnson's debut in the part, which proves to thrive abundantly on his blend of exquisite, slightly anxious concern and generous lyrical beauty. The tone sounds utterly spontaneous, and free in all parts of what is a high baritone role, yet the carefulness of diction gently insinuates a dislocation from the character. What happens is terribly important to the young man, but a little of him may sense it is also a charade. Jocelyne Tailion must now

charade as she lends her beautifully modelled Genevieve to production after production. There is also, from Jean-Philippe Lafont, a Golaud who has come to stay: a powerfully built bull of a man singing with grim force. Sylvain Cambreling gets unruly but eagerly forward playing of a score incorporating emendations Debussy made after publication: the most notable and valuable is the addition of four solo violins to the flutes right at the start of the second act, modulating a too brilliant timbre. There are further performances tonight

Paul Griffiths

what other sprats have you filched from his intimate net?" The boy spent most of that scene with his teeth fastened in Barry Foster's jacket pocket.

The sum of wasted acting talent is depressing. Mr Foster absently feeds his brat with dryroasted peanuts and is not embarrassed by all his lines. Greenwood's taste in mistresses is impeccable, but massage, mothering and a snatch of Gogol give Ursula Mohan's comic gifts no scope. Neither the podgy Ken Morley's vica-rish mischief nor his glaring American tourist gear can make Alice more than a tired non-

The raison d'être of the piece. of course, is the last half-hour, the command performance itself. Funny costumes, missed entrances, safe-keys and swag passed round in mid-performance, bloody-bloodying from the halfwit (who, with typical implausibility, is playing the lead); it is all rather like a deformed and dying patient being given a monkey-gland injection. But Mr Mallatratt and his director Peter Wilson know that in this kind of context, like the finale of Midsummer Night's Dream, you can get away with murder. Martin Tilley's sets, starting with a gilded proscenium and nuched net drapes bathed in lilac light, do at least touch up tackiness with a twinkle in the

Anthony Masters

The very stuff

Enter the bashful showman

The Times Profile Lord Bernstein

tioned Lord Bernstein, accident that when Granada was established as one of the first four

provide it, must be added a second. apparently contradictory trait of character: a desire for secrecy. Bernstein needs privacy. Almost every activity he has engaged in is marked by a determination that as few people as possible should know of his involvement - whether it be his role in the anti-fascist movement of the 1930s, his lone crusade to find a site and backing for the National Theatre or his acts of

personal generosity.

It is no accident either that he has reached his 80s - he celebrates his eighty-fifth birthday on Monday - with his name absent from most of the ventures that he has been part of, and that of the really successful British entrepreneurs of this century he is probably the least publicly known. His contribution has always to be discovered from others.

Not that this contribution is easy to assess, it cannot be summed up in neat, progressive steps. There are not only his measurable achievements but all those others which he initiated, or paths that he took for a while, then turned away from, such as politics or film production. Had he persevered in almost any one of them, those who worked with him say, he could have accomplished anything. The brilliance, the drive, the energy are there. Yet at the last minute, he seems always to have stopped short of final commitment, with the result that he has excelled in many afeas but reached the highest point in none. Such hesitation makes him a more approachable figure; it also makes him harder to

The business acumen, which came to him early, has served largely to finance the rest - the plays he loves to put on, the pictures he hangs not just on his own walls, but on all walls over which he has some say, the educational experiments he is concerned with. About himself, he is prone to say that he should have been an architect, for that was where his true talents lay.

Sidney Lewis Bernstein - old Granada hands refer to him as SLB same East End corner of London as Alfred Hitchcock, the man who became one of his closest friends and whose films he produced. He was the second son of a restless, relatively prosperous businessman who had the fortune and foresight to buy himself into the music hall business precisely at the moment when theatre entertainment was reaching a peak popularity.

"Let's get one thing straight", the

Rector of Lumumba University, Dr

Vladimir Stanis, said heatedly. "We

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produce doctors, scientists and engineers for the poor and op-

pressed countries of the Third

World." He leapt up from behind

his desk and strode over to a glass

cabinet, pausing by a large tom-tom in the shape of an African mask.

This is from Mozambique", he

said, giving it a resounding thump. He moved on to an ornamental

silver plaque with an Aztec design,

mounted on wood, "Mexico. And

this is a giant carved grasshopper

from Guinea Bissau, a present from

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then, over the years, Bernstein soon showed himself to be reporters have ques- more inventive and determined than tioned Lord Bernstein, his eight brothers and sisters, a lean, pioneer figure of the somewhat fastidious boy with formal twentieth-century enter- good manners and an alert, quizzical tainment world and founder of smile. By the age of 15 he was begging Granada Television, about his life, he his reluctant parents to let him leave has invariably replied that it has been school and join the business. In any "90 per cent Luck and 10 per cent case, he was already a truant, sneaking Good Luck". He insists on the capitals. away to the Ilford Hippodrome for the It is a short, memorable, showman's matinées, to Covent Garden to see phrase, and Bernstein has always Diaghilev, or to Oswald Stoll's Colisprofessed to be a showman. It is no seum, where actors performed Roman chariot races on the revolving stages.

Any uncertainty about the final form established as one of the first four independent television companies in the mid-1950s, he ordered that a portrait of Barnum, the famous to four suburban theatres, Bernstein American nineteenth-century circus impresario, be hung on every office wall. It is our duty, he would say, to entertain the public.

To canniness about what people want and respond to, and personal management of the suburban theatres, bernstain now led the large family – his elder brother Selim had been killed at Gallipoli – conscientiously and soon very profitably through the 1920s, supervising his brothers' education and want and respond to, and personal management of the suburban theatres, bernstain now led the large family – his elder brother Selim had been killed at Gallipoli – conscientiously and soon every profitably through the 1920s, supervising his brothers' education and taking his brothers' place at Friday night Sabbath modesty about his own ability to father's place at Friday night Sabbath celebrations.

A new theatre opened every three months

In describing his life, Bernstein frequently alludes to lucky encounters with the people who, he declares, were really responsible for shaping his interests: Arnold Bennett, who introduced him to the theatre, Iris Barry, who taught him about music and the who taught him about music and the cinema, H.G. Wells, James Agate, Eisenstein, Sean O'Casey, Teddy Kollek, Charlie Chaplin and many others. To what extent luck of this kind is really luck is highly dubious, but it is certainly true that his meeting in Paris in 1925 with Theodore Komisarjevsky, the Russian theatre director and designer, shaped not just his personal future but that of the British film

By the early 1930s the two men -Bernstein extremely courageous when it came to taking risks, Komisarjevsky highly inventive but also dilatory were constructing palaces of entertainment in the London suburbs, vast theatres outrageously blending architectural styles, where thousands of people came and marvelled at the marble and the glass, the chandeliers and the carved ceilings, the frescoes and the gold. In 1935 a new Granada was being opened every three months.

Bernstein's interest was not just in appearance. He had returned from a long tour of America convinced that a combination of music hall and the new talkies, with as much ceremony and splendour as could be engineered, were exactly what was needed to provide an escape from the economic fears and dreariness of the Depression. He hecame a founder member of the Film Society, formed to introduce the masterpieces of European and Russian cinema to a British public that would not otherwise see them. And he built a theatre of his own, the Phoenix, which was born the same year and in the he opened with the first performance of Private Lives. Noel Coward, Gertrude Lawrence, Laurence Olivier and Everley Gregg made up the cast. Komisarjevsky designed the Phoenix, and Polunin painted it in the style of Giorgione, Titian and Tintoretto.

It was during the 1930s that the mania for detail which became the hallmark of his professional and private style was born. What surprised



SIDNEY LEWIS BERNSTEIN Born January 1899, litord, London Educated Coopers Company School, Bow 1916 Joined father's company
Film Agencies Ltd
1925 Founder member of the Film Society
1930 Opened Phoenix Theatre with
first production of Private Lives

1934 Granada Theatres Ltd floated 1946-1951 Producer in Hollywood with Alfred Hitchcock 1956 Launched Granada Television 1969 Mede a Life Peer 1979 Retired as director and Chairman of Granada to become President of the Group for life.

friends and colleagues was that he John. In November 1936, to the could keep so much in his mind at any one time. His unannounced visits to the Granada cinemas became a weekly nightmare for the managers, who learned to dread the arrival of the white Minerva and Bernstein's rapid tread on the steps - a tall man, he moved at great speed, collecting in his wake apprehensive employees - as he called out: "What is this ash doing?" and "Why haven't the posters been changed?" or "That usher has filthy gloves". This obsession that all things

Granada should be best, allied with small foibles - later, legends built up that Bernstein frowned on beards, dangling earrings and suede shoes brought him respect but also fear. The showed the best Hollywood could offer charm and drive was real, but it could in the Granada cinemas, and also all be a little tough. The toughness was maligned he instantly sued, taking distinct pleasure in the process of litigation, and leaving an assortment of successful libel cases behind him.

He lived in style. He kept a horse and rode in Rotten Row before breakfast. At St Moritz he acted as brake for the Argentinian team on the Cresta run. And if walking across Europe with a knapsack on his back remained his chief pleasure, often with the poet Laz Aaronson as his companion, he was also to be found at London's the dansants, or in the Cafe Royal talking books and pictures with Raymond Mortimer and Augustus

surprise of friends - for Bernstein was as secretive about his love affairs as his business ventures - he married a journalist called Zoe Farmer. She was 24. They were not suited, and the

marriage did not long survive the war. The son of Orthodox Jewish parents, Bernstein has never been particularly religious. But he took up the cause of anti-fascism when he was very young. In 1933, when the Reichstag trial was being prepared in Germany, he provided money and contacts to set up a counter-trial in London, one of the first unofficial trials of its kind, attended by some of the finest Anglo-Saxon legal minds and at which the Nazis, rather than the hapless Dutch suspected arsonist van der Lubbe, were put on trial and condemned.

Marriage and family life pleased him greatly

The late 1940s were an uncertain time in his life. He hesitated about what direction to take (Eileen Wilkinson proposed that he take over the Arts Council now that Maynard Keynes was dead) and finally chose Hollywood, joining Hitchcock as his producer and leaving Granada in the capable hands of his brother Cecil, his closest associate until his death in 1981. The result was three films, Rope, Under Capricorn and I Confess, not

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demand) are channelled through Soviet friendship societies or Soviet

embassies. One of the most famous

flych Ramirez Sanchez, the product

of a Marxist-minded Venezuelan

family (though not one below the

poverty line). As Carlos the Jackal

There are no statistics on the drop-out rate, but officials say that

general one year course including

disinterested", he adds.

Hitchcock's best, but a great deal of

fun.
In 1952, he packed up and came home, rather shrewdly since Hollywood, bedevilled by McArthy's with hunts, the new anti-trust laws and hunts, the new anti-trust laws and the advent of television, was just embarking on the gloomiest phase of its history. Within a year, he joined the race for the independent television contracts, returned his formidable powers of concentration to the future of his company, and married again. This marriage, to a Canadian, Sandra Malone, was to be a success: three children and the domesticity of family life pleased him greatly.

Granada rapidly became the most respected independent station, with an unperchildren and the content of the content

unparalleled reputation for investigative journalism in programmes such as Searchlight and World in Action. His battles on behalf of the company left casualties along the way. The survivors seemed imbued with what sometimes amounted to a kind of hero worship.

More important, when someone had good idea and convinced him of it, he would champion it. He saw television as a new medium with which to challenge received wisdom.

Politics are a matter of faith, not argument

However, not even so enormous an enterprise as the creation of Granada Television kept him absorbed for long. By the early 1960s Bernstein was already searching for new ventures and Granada began to absorb publishing houses and bingo, foreign television stations and television rental agencies. Privately, he was busy endowing chairs of drama and landscape architecture in the North of England, the "Granadaland" he made so particularly his own.

When, in the summer of 1969, Sir Harold Wilson offered him a life peerage, some friends were surprised that he used the House of Lords so infrequently as a platform for his solid Labour views, staunchly held since he first became a councillor for Willesden in 1925. Others, however, believe that Bernstein's politics are a matter of faith, not argument, that what he enjoys is reasserting certain tenets of belief and that political debate loses all its charm for him once it is reduced to caveats and the need to accommodate. In July 1979, when Bernstein had

passed his eightieth birthday, he announced that he was retiring as director and chairman of the company to become president for life. His nephew Alex, son of his brother Cecil, took his place as executive, heir to an enterprise that had transformed itself in 57 years from four suburban theatres to one of the most successful of modern British businesses.

Can curiosity be a determining trait in a man's character? Others have been as determined, as secretive, as farsighted as he is, with as much flair for drama, for making money and building. empires. Though perhaps more singleminded, more narrowly focused, they have not been as curious. Bernstein needs to know about everything, whether it be the mechanism of a new camera, the potential in the drafting of a new law, or what that green thing is on the plate of the man sitting at the next table. The manner in which he demands the information is invariably charming and courteous, though it can be imperious, but the fact that he demands it at all is what marks him

Caroline Moorehead

The author's biography of Lord Bernstein is published today by Jonathan Cape, price £12.95.

centrally planned economies.)

to capitalist systems rather than

There have been instances of racism (though the authorities deny this), and some Lumumba student As the then Soviet Prime are attracted by Moscow's black market. But the university tries to the 1960s, Lumumba was founded integrate students into Moscow to meet the need for higher through a combination of discipeducation in countries gaining and familiarization campaigns. integrate students into Moscow lifethrough a combination of discipline

Down the corridor, in the reading dence". The university, which at room of the newly-built library, that time had older and more students sit poring over textbooks cramped premises nearer the centre or perusing newspapers, the of Moscow, started off with just majority either Soviet or African over 500 students drawn from and Asian English-language dailies. Africa, Asia and Latin America. It The only western newspapers now has a sprawling new campus available appeared to be the and about 5,000 Third World Morning Star and the Daily World, undergraduates from 105 nations. the organ of the American Commu-They study alongside some 2,000 nist Party.

In the main foyer students mill about under portraits of revolutionheroes, including Patrice Lumumba (murdered, according to the latest Soviet articles, with CIA connivance) and Che Guevara. A noticeboard annonces the results of a poetry competition: the winning verse is in praise of martyred freedom fighters who fell fighting South African tyranny or American agression in the Caribbean.

Lumumba accounts for an important part of Russia's aid to the Third World, though how much is not known. The overall figures are in any case disputed, since Moscow claims it gave \$44 bn to developing countries from 1976 to 1980, whereas the Foreign Office puts the real figure at only \$8 bn. But the Russians point out that the Third World is overwhelmingly in debt to the capitalist West, whereas Moscow offers developing countries economic and cultural aid designed to help them in their "struggle for decolonization". It is "selfless assistance" rendered to enable the Third World to extract 1,300 teaching staff speciatizing in physics, mathematics, economics, law, medicine, agriculture and engineering. (Economics, oddly enough, includes a thorough grounding in capitalism, since many Lumumba graduates go back the argument convincing. itself from the capitalist, colonialist quagmire. Despite the drawbacks of a cold climate, an alien culture and economic ineptitude, quite a lot of Lumumba's 5,000 students will find

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And all that jazz · · ·

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Something amazing is due to happen this year. It looks as if the National Jazz Centre will actually open this year in Floral Street, Covent Garden. As if to celebrate in advance, their concert wing celebrate in advance, now and March is organizing between now and March a nationwide tour of five bands playing 50 concerts, under the generic title "Jazz Is.

The amazing thing about this is that jazz is generally the least organized sort of music. Far from fixing a centre, the jazz fraternity would find it hard normally to fix 50 concerts, or even a generic title, come to that. Last October, for instance, I was given a preview tour of a new Jazz Museum in New Orleans, due to open in a couple of weeks time. There would, I supposed, be a grand opening determony.

Not quite, said the curator. The museum had been due to open in March, at which time many bands had offered their services free. The opening ceremony had taken place in March, everyone had arised it but for one reason or another. enjoyed it, but for one reason or another they had lost rather a lot of money on the day, and had also had to announce that they would not be open for another six. months. Now that they were really about to open they could not afford another ceremony and the bands were understandably leery about turning out again. That I fear, is more typical of the way jazz

tends to be organized. But the Jazz Centre people have shown all along, for more than a dozen years, a determination and planning ability which are a source of constant amazement. When the Jazz Centre opens it will be the only place of its kind in the world, with concert area, rehearsal rooms, bar, club room and almost everything.

say almost everything, because even the best jazz centre cannot provide every-

brothel Legend has it that New Orleans jazz was born in the whorehouses and pleasure palaces of New Orleans. Regend, as so often, turns out to be wrong New Orleans brothels did not hire banks - at most, an occasional solo pianist - and the connexion is romantic vishful thinking. Well, can't this be put right? A small, plush, chandeliered brothel at-tached to the Jazz Centre, with good live music, would be good for publicity and business, even if there are one or two bylaws to be straightened out first.

critics' bar. When the music is at its fastest and most furious, critics and reviewers like to be in another born. drinking. There is indeed a downstairs bar at Rounie Scott's, no doubt for this very purpose, where critics can compose their sentences far from the distracting music. But we need more.

in all-night pub. Some trades, such as meat porters, have pubs which open at their peculiar hours, like 6am. Jazz musicians have peculiar hours. They blay a job, drive back to London at lam, and find all the pubs shut. All they ask for is a couple of hours drinking-up time.

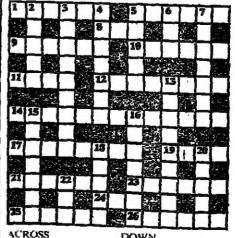
Jazz Homour Reference Library. Jazz musicians have a fine, self-mocking sense of humour, almost more Jewish tlan Jewish, though sometimes opaque to outsiders. Example, a story told recently by Ronnie Scott. A famous tenor saxophonist dies and goes to heaven, where St Peter says that as a reward for his good deeds he can form a band from the best of all the jazz musicians already resident in heaven. No conditions, asks the tenorman? No strings attached? No. says St Peter, you have a free hand. Oh. there's just one thing - God is very friendly with this young girl singer whom he's rather anxious to promote... None of these stories is ever written down. They should be.

room with a piano in tune.

A reading and writing room, where jazz fans can pen letters to critics and broadcasters starting Dear Sir, 1 thought you were meant to be an expert. any fool knows that Benny Goodman couldn't have been on that record because . . .

complaints room, with a direct phone link to the BBC on which jazz fans can complain about the paucity of jazz on the

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Richard Owen asks whether Moscow's Lumumba cause of world communism. so much the better. "And don't try and

of Leninist internationalist policy" But are they also expected to be grateful to the Soviet Union, and perhaps to work toward the practical realization of Soviet foreign policy? The Russians are chief credential as a political gangster is that he "attended Lumumba University in Moscow".

sensitive to this charge, and even more sensitive to the suggestion that Lumumba University is a kind of guerrilla training camp, turning out KGB-trained Marxist terrorists ready to sow mayhem and subversion at Moscow's bidding. As Dr Stanis points out, there are no squads of freedom fighters visible from his study windows, no

tough young men doing Kalashnikov target practice among the grim grey tower blocks of the windswept mpus on the outskirts of Moscow If there are training camps for participants in "national liberation struggles" – and groups like the Palestine Liberation Organization have received training in Russia – the Russians keep them well hidden. Dr Stants vehemently denies that Russia trains terrorists at all. An ebullient man who has run Lumumba for 13 years, he raised the subject before I had a chance to consult my notes and promptly knocked it down as "gross and totally unjustified slander".

"are active in the economies of 110

countries... They are a vivid example of the practical realization

Dr Stanis is obviously used to being accused of running a centre for Third World subversives and spends much of his time on academic exchanges around the world trying to improve Lumumba's image. He wrily recalls a recent trip to New York where he watched a thriller called Night Hawks. The film depicts a violent and psychostic interestional terrories whose pathic international terrorist whose

1960 and named after the murdered left-wing Congolese Prime the university has University combines teaching with terrorism turned out about 10,000 graduates over a quarter of a century. As the Rector says in his official handbook, University of Friendship Lumumba, graduates

Third World studies in a cold climate

Many heads in the cinema turned to Dr Stanis when it was learned that the "terrorist chief" himselfwas in the audience. A stocky man with swept back white hair and glasses. Dr Stanis professes to find the incident amusing.

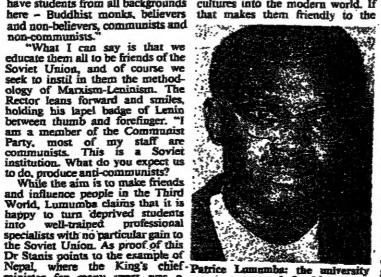
But if it does not foster political

terrorism, does Lumumba aim to produce Communist or Marxist Third World graduates sympathetic would be surprising if the university had any other intention. "We here - Buddhist monks, believers and non-believers, communists and

"What I can say is that we educate them all to be friends of the Soviet Union, and of course we seek to instil in them the methodology of Marxism-Leninism. The Rector leans forward and smiles, holding his lapel badge of Lenin between thumb and forefinger. "I am a member of the Communist Party, most of my staff are communists. This is a Soviet institution. What do you expect us

to do, produce anti-communists? While the aim is to make friends and influence people in the Third World, Lumumba claims that it is happy to turn deprived students into well-trained professional specialists with no particular gain to the Soviet Union. As proof of this minister for many years was a

ing the tiny mountain monarchy into a Markist centre for destabilization on the Indo-Chinese border. University Association, Lumumba teaches its students to be "both internationalist patriots as well". Would that mean proletarian internationalism, one of the central tenets of which is loyalty to Moscow? Dr Stanis replies that the main purpose of the university is to to Soviet aims? Dr Stanis said it provide "countries emerging from would be surprising if the univer-colonialism" with specialists able to bring primitive and backward have students from all backgrounds cultures into the modern world. If



Lumumba graduate, without turn-As a member of the World patriots of their own country and Soviet students training as future advisers in Third World countries. in the final analysis students are chosen for both aptitude and

- or notorious - Lumumba students recruited in this way was Sanchez went on to give Lumumba much of its terrorist training school" reputation, although university officials now disown him. The Jackal, they say, did not last much beyond the first introductory year of study and was expelled for his irresponsible behaviour. those who fall at the first hurdle - a Russian language study - tend to be sent home. The staff-student ratio at Lumumba is generous, with 1,300 teaching staff specializing in

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Dashiell Hammett A Life at the Edge By William F. Nolan (Arthur Barker, Ly.95)

The Life of Dashiell Hammett

By Diane Johnson (Chatto & Windus, £12.95)

Buileted by his own good and ill luck Dashiell Hammett held on to the one stable element in his life. He was an American and proud of it. A veteran of two world wars, he claimed his right to be buried in the Arlington National Cemetery, This, as he probably hoped, infuriated those who thought a Communist had no business to be buried among war heroes who died defending the American way of life,

Hammett was a Communist in spirit, if not a card-carrying party member. During the thirties he was in Communist



Hammett hungover

front organizations. It was as clitely tashionable to be a Marxist or Communist in Hollywood then as it was in Cambridge. England. Hammett editions in the United States was not dedicated to revolu- and abroad. If he had let even tionary subversion: that would half the money be earned stick have required much 100 sustained an effort. Gatherings in comfortable surroundings with like-minded self-conscious paid. The Maltese Falcon, The progressives and a hint of Thin Man and The Continental romantic conspiracy was about Op alone would have been

Communist hysteria. For the Nolan's books. The latter is last nine years of his life the tax shorter, cheaper and tougher. authorities persecuted him into The former is longer, more penury for back taxes, which a expensive and more sentimencruel boycott by Hollywood and tal. The essentials of this others prevented him earning archetypal world-weary man are the money to pay. There is no in each, though they vary in the money to pay. There is no in each, though they vary in political content in his novels details. It must have been very sources of income in his last few years (he died in January 1961 usually disagreeable when he at the age of 66) were skimpy was not

and disputed pensions from the Veterans' Administration. Without Lillian Heliman, with whom he lived on and off for 30 years, he would have been

and illness. Perhaps that is why

Hammett's formal education ceased at 14. He drifted through a variety of petty jobs until he was 20 when he went to work for Pinkertons, the celebrated detective agency. Apart from two years of the war he stayed with them until 1922, possibly the longest time he was steady in one occupation.

He became the first writer to describe detectives as they actually were. He knew professionally how a man was shadowed, how evidence was obtained, what the capabilities of firearms were, what happened when a revolver bullet hit comeone and how the importance of fingerprints was exag-

What Hammett wrote about crime and detection was authentic as well as brilliant and enthralling. No M. Poirot for him. He started a whole school of this kind of writing in which hardboiled detectives do not always have bearts of gold, though they may be roughly on the side of the law. Raymond Chandler and Erie Stanley Gardner and multitudes of lesser writers owe much to him.

But what he wrote was so original, imaginative and well executed that the money poured in from films and scores of in his fingers he would have died comfortably, a double dollar millionaire with all taxes

The man was an ass, but not the villain portrayed by anti- Diane Johnson's and William pleasant to meet Mr Hammett when he was sober, but un-

Up the Brethren

The Brotherhood By Stephen Knight

Mason-watching with Jack the Ripper-the final solution, and has followed it with a work promising all sorts of horrors, if these evil men in aprons are not extirpated from most of the usual occupations of the bourreouisie. He nauses sometimes to mention the Royal Masonic Hospital and other good works funded by Freemasoury, but one feels that the praise is grudg-ingly inserted to give an impression of balance and fairness. Most of the book consists of documented cases of villainy on the part of Freemasons in the police, who are named; in large firms of solicitors (anonymous); and by such as John Ponison. There are 750,000 Freemasons in the United Kingdom; and as 90 per cent of them joined in order to improve their financial lot, it would be surprising if none were corruptible, or made use of the enormous network available for the promotion of any kind of

Mr Knight's problem in writing about a semi-secret organisation is that he cannot prove or disprove. In Jack the Ripper he had a story, a hypothesis that fitted it, and a

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But even when the money was rolling in he spent and gave it away without thought of tomorrow. His botel bills were gargantuan. His extravagance was clinical. His life was wholly disordered, disrupted by drink he was attracted to what may have seemed to him the disciplined structure of Com-

uninterested in libel actions. It added up to a rattling good yarn. For his present work he was unable to get much help from Mr Knight began his literary

the Brethren, and so it is largely written in early Chapman Pincherese, "I can now exclus-ively and breathlessly reveal for the first time absolutely nothing". There are therefore, as padding, fists of City worthles known to be Masons who presumably don't bother to deny it, together with a description of their regalia.

These last, and the rituals performed, are mostly the products of a fevered 18th century imagination. The oaths sworn are fairly bloodcurdling. but not at all secret, as they can be found in Mackey's Encyclo-paedia of Freemasonry. A friend of mine, who got no further than initiation, was quite impressed with the first part of the ceremony - he was blindfolded at the time, and could not walk very well, as he was allowed to wear only one shoe. When he was able to see he recognized various former schoolfellows he had hoped never to meet again. and was then given a lecture on sobriety by a man he knew to be a drunk who was living with somebody else's wife. He therefore made his excuses and

The last chapter left me with the impression that the Worshipful Grand Master of World Freemasonry is without doubt Mr Andropov (if he is still with us) and that the KGB has already got its feet well under the table at No 16 Duke Street, which we are told is HQ. I may, of course, have confused him with Archbiship Fisher, who is also reckoned a baddy, because be (a Mason) prevented any form of investigation by the Church of England into the influence of the craft and its compatibility with Christianity. Roman Catholics are still forbidden by their church to join, and the chapter on spal attitudes both historical contemporary is the best in the

I am still left in the dark about why so many highly intelligent and successful men need to be Freemasons: they already have the power and the money, and if they want a God they can always go to an established Church dressed in ordinary clothes. Why then the aprons and bogus mythology? Perhaps the author will tell us in his next expose - provided the Black and White Knight of Kadosh doesn't get to him first.



Eagle-eyed: Bunuel on location for The Milky Way

My Last Breath By Luis Bunnel

Translated by Abigail Israel (Cape, £8.95) Luis Buñuel went a long way. He was born in 1900 into a bourgeois Roman Catholic family in the Aragonese village of Calanda, where "the Middle Ages lasted until World War I". In his teens he arrived in Madrid to become part of a waywardly brilliant group of young intellectuals (Lorca and Dali among them). By the late twenties he was in Paris as one of the inner circle of the Surrealists and the creator of two monuments of Surrealism, the films Un Chien Andalou and L'Age d'Or. In the next 20 years he managed to be a film producer in Spain, an activist abroad for the Republican side in the Civil War and a victim of the McCarthy blacklist. In the fifties and the control of the McCarthy blacklist. (and they were his fifties too) he reemerged as a film maker in Mexico; and during the next quarter century reaffirmed himself as one of the most original, uncompromising and (paradoxically) most popular of the world's

All this happened to him - to judge from his autobiography - without any

firm desire or determination on his part. His path in life seems to have been directed mainly by curiosity and a readiness to accede to any suggestion or request, provided only

that it promised interest. The autobiography itself seems to have been done in much the same spirit. It was written down by his friend and collaborator, Jean-Claude Carriere: and provided Bunuel with some amusement in the last year of his life.
The title is less a macabre joke than a cool observation. Bunuel at 82 was still as lucid and funny and ironic, as quick of wit and outrageous in opinion. "Don't ask my opinion about art," he says, "because I don't have any". Then he goes on to tell how he and two of his friends had thought of blowing up Picasso's "Guernica", but were deterred by their advanced age.

Bunuel delighted in paradox. His most famous saying. Thank God I am still an atheist dates from 1961 and Viridiana. Another paradox is how close his Surrealism is to a very Spanish reality. Most often the apparent irrationalities of his films were not spun out of the subconscious, but observed, with delight,

David Robinson reviews the life and autobiography of the most original most uncompromising, and most popular of the world's great directors

The Master of Surrealism on the flickering screen

from life. The book is full of examples. When the hero of EL suspecting a prying eye on the other side, jabs a needle through the keyhole, it is Bunuel's memory of the beach at San Sebastian in 1913, where the girls used their hatpins to repel perping toms outside the bathing huts. The mysticism, ceremonial, mortality and sadism of religion in Catholic Calanda was rich in inspiration for the future Surrealist,

Nor was that "Thank God ... " so paradoxical. Atheism like Bunuel's can only be the outcome of original deep-rooted faith. In youth "we were worn out with our oppressive sense of sin, coupled with the interminable war between instinct and virtue." Perhaps some of the fascination of Bunuel's art is that even the Surrealist experience did not succeed in fully olving the conflicts. For instance, he despises Latin machismo; and yet in his eighties it was still a trouble within him. There is guilty regret that he was never a womanizer (he stayed married for almost 50 years to his loyal Jeanne); and there is the Catholic Latin's anxiety about homosexuality. Paradoxical, again, because it is clear that the being he loved

above all in his life was Federico Garcia Lorca. He relates a sad anecdote of a day when he indignantly demanded, "Is it true you're a maricon?" (which is a rude way of putting it). At 82 he still had not sorted it out, but mumbles with embarassed applicate "Thans." embarrassed apology, There was absolutely nothing efferminate or affected about Federico". Then he passes with relief to happy memories queer-bashing as a youth. If his best friend bewildered him,

Bunuel is uninhibitedly malicious about the sexual oddities of the friend who later proved an enemy, Salvador Dali, not to speak of "the famous Gala, the woman I have always tried to avoid." With deep regret he relates how he once stopped short of strangling her. Later she paid him out by trespassing in the dreams which were one of the lasting pleasures of Bunuel's life (second, perhaps, to his dry martini).

With 50 years' hindsight, he sums up the Surrealist achievement and failure: Their aims were not to establish a glorious place for themselves in the annals of art and literature, but to change the world, to



Gentle genius photographed by Leon Herschtritt

transform life itself. This was our essential purpose, but one good look around is evidence enough of our failure." He was certainly not very impressed with the world that he left last year - "kept in smooth working order by that technological "progress" which has exiled morality and spirit to a far distant territory. Chaos, in the form of entropy, has assumed the demonic disguise of the population explosion." In leaving the world, though, he felt the regret of quitting a serial in the middle. Little as he liked the world and much as he hated the press, his final desire was that he might rise from the grave every 10 years and buy a few newspapers. "Ghostly pale, sliding silently along the walls, my papers under my arm, I'd return to the cemetery and read about all the disasters in the world before falling back to sleep, safe and secure in my tomb." It will be nice if be exchanges another jest or two as he

supremely sophisticated, high-

Trevor Phillips reviews Roy Kerridge Black on white on black

Real Wicked, Guy By Roy Kerridge (Blackwell, £8.95)

Authors who use slang titles want readers to know from the word go that they are about to be led into a secret and dangerous world by a wise and knowing guide. Unfortunately fashions change quickly, Roy Kerridge's efforts to convince us that he has a special insight into Britain's black communities falls apart from the title page onwards. Someone should have told him that the expression "real wicked, guy", which can have a whole range of meanings between good and sensational, passed away as a current streetwise exclamation some time ago.
This is an outsider's book.

That by itself isn't a condemnation. The stranger's eye can often reveal truths about any community that have been unseen or hidden because we'd rather not see them. And unfortunately, this tourist account of his ramble through the black community has produced a confusing, offensive and frequently pernicious little

It is light on fact and long on impression. Nowhere in its 200 pages, for example, will the reader find out anything as simple as the number of black eople who live in Britain. But to Kerridge the absence of fact hardly seems to matter. his stock in trade is the use of

highly coloured portraits of acquaintances we are meant to accept as typical. The fact that men are temperamentally most of the names used are "fictitious", as the author's note says, doesn't inspire confidence our credulity by attributing the Africa. The only business, it most preposterous views to For example, we are is ... the illegal selling of drink

asked to believe that a black South London housewife describes the National Front as "perfect gentlemen, very quiet".

It's not surprising, though, that Kerridge avoids factual material. On the few occasions where he essays any simple research he usually gets it wrong and frequently in the most grossly insulting fashion. The brown skinned Jamaican leader Michael Manley, who is a son of one of Jamaica's oldest families, is described as "to all intents and purposes, a white man". We're' told that a particular form of reggae music, called "lover's rock" originated in Jamaica. In fact, it is probably the only purely British form of reggae music, invented and popularized by schoolgiri balladeers like Janet Kay and Carroll

Thompson. This kind of sloppiness could be dismissed lightly if the book provided any real insights to the character and personality of the black community.
However, there is another,

more dangerous side to this book. Bigotry is always hungry for new slogans. And Roy Kerridge provides a feast. In the first 20 pages we are told without a snift of evidence in quick succession that "mug-ging" originated in West Africa, that African wives are sold for nothing when their husbands get tired of them, that the KGB had prostitutes supplied by black "ponces". We hear once again the ludicrous old saw that husbands are thin on the ground in West Indian households", and that West Indian unable to be businessmen (they become "unhappy and troubled"), though their wives make n their reality. And he stretches excellent market traders - in seems, that blacks can shine at

to which they take like a duck to water This kind of racist nonsense

even extends to the black church. He describes churches populated by "tragic looking girls" and "foot-shuffling" young men. This is light years from the reality - a dynamic, self-aware and businesslike movement, that attracts tens of thousands of stylish and ambitious young men and

And finally in the course of Painting Water an extraordinary attack on the Rastafarian movement. kindly explains that becoming a woman convert sometimes means becoming a prostitute to support a God-chosen spouse". Kerridge even manages to take a swipe at the dubious, moral influence of the late Bob Marley, whose moral message amounted to the slogan "love and peace".

What seems to worry Kerridge most is the use of the term "black" to describe people of African descent. But it is a fact that today people all over the world use that word to describe themselves. Whether it's a personal problem - perhaps a consequence of his dislike of his African stepfather - or a political one, I don't know. But, like many people in this country, he still clings to the idea that "integration" means black people becoming exactly the same in behaviour and outlook as whites.

It's a view that withered during the seventies with a rise in black consciousness all over the world. Surely we've learnt by now that what's needed is a real understanding of differences amougst people; this book doesn't help in that task. Rather, it's a vulgar and bigoted assault on all the things that give black people pride and identity.

Fiction of the week

Learn about women from me

From Sleep Unbound By Andrée Chedid Translated by Sharon Spencer (Swallow,£12.75,paperback,£6)

Natural Victims By Isabel Eberstadt (Chatto & Windus, 18.95).

By Teresa Waugh (Hamish Hamilton, £8.95)

sensitive and thwarted

woman, who has never given or received the love of which she is capable, lies in psychosomatic paralysis, watched over by her embittered, spiteful sisterin-law, visited by the perfunc-tory kiss of the lumpish, uncaring husband to whom she was consigned at the age of 15. There will be one kiss too many. From Sleep Unbound begins dramatically: but much of this delicately composed, elegant novel is a gentle and simple story of a woman searching for herself in a world of callous, unimexinative male supremacy. Andrée Chedid writes in French. She was, however, born in Cairo and evidently understands with great compassion the predicament of such women as Samya, her central character, in the Egypt in which the novel is set.
The writing, disclosing bitter,
painful truths, is deceptively
lyrical: yet the story does more to convince readers of the misery and desperation of people like Samya, whose natural power of loving will know no requital, than many longer, more strident books asserting the right of a woman to be herself, and consequently

so much more. The translation Melmore herself, allegedly a seems to be extremely successful, though readers may perhaps be warned that the pretentious introduction to the book will do very little to prepare them for its excellence.

can widow_of an unbelievably (sic) rich and powerful monster. searching for her grievously Fleeing, most understandably, melodrama of its resolution. after ber father's death (a matter of some mystery), the poor girl is endowed by the terms of his will with consider-

a group of political ingenues. After a disastrous encounter on a street corner with her mother, she falls into the hands of an unusually evil compatriot, Jack Straw and his disturbed accomplice. Maurice. Mrs Melmore enlists, then discards temporarily, the aid of a dowdy, eccentric sister, whose principal function in the novel seems to be to allow Mrs Melmore to embark on long retrospections about their girlbood, her excruciating experience of marriage and motherhood, and everything else which leads up to the story so far. These conversations are counterpointed in the early

sections of the book by terse,

vivid chapters about what is

and effective. The structure is,

however, wantonly elaborate,

strains for effect, while dialogue

that should have been tense is

banal, limp, even otiose. Mrs

spirited, immensely assured and attractive woman, presented as vacillating, vain and vapid, falling prey to the illiterate, predatory hick whose curious "powers" have already enthralled her daughter. The The Natural Victims of Isabel Eberstadt's title are, it would appear, the "visible rich". Mrs Melmore is a supercool, Ameriand her own image of herself are excelled in their demands on the reader's forbearance only by the caincidences upon which deranged daughter in Paris, the plot depends and the

by Teresa Waugh is a novel of unassuming but certain quality. It is a straightforward story of the life of placid, pretty, able funds. She is exploited in contented woman, married to a turn by a ferocious lesbian and suburban estate agent who is devoted to the cultivation of his garden. In her relationships with her parents, sister, hus-band, children and friends, Alice Taylor always makes the best of this world made possible and tolerable for her by her own kindness and decency. At the same time, this gentle novel is illuminated with wit, moments of high comedy, occasional farce and flashes of delightful sarcasm: not least in the exposure of the fatulties of fashionable liturgy which of-fend the humanist as much as built into the plot are neat and credible; but there is, some-times, a whiff of patrician scorn lingering between the lines like expensive scent in a humble room through which someone fairly special has passed. The actually happening to Mrs Melmore's daughter, Sarah, Up writing is lucid and beautifully to a point these are gripping accurate in its use of homecounties adverbs. Altogether a thoroughly enjoyable and eventually quietly moving embellished by affected chap-ter-headings; often the narrative

Stuart Evans

Crossing the bamboo-pattern bridge





Woodcuts of the thirties show peasants denouncing landlord on the left, and soldiers helping with the barrent

The Heart of the By Alasdair Clayre (Collins, £12.95)

I had never seen anything that bore any Manner of resem-blance to them in any Part of the World that I had been before." So wrote an incredulous Pere Attiret from Peking in the late 1740s, and one sympathizes with the Jesuit father. At least China may once again be visited; but does that make it any the more comprehensible?

Attiret was talking about the

exquisite gardens of Peking,

(and, in doing so, set about a fad for cod chinoiserie which

haven of Holiday Inns, widecyed GIs, and phoney orienta-lism, just like Thailand, the Philippines, or even the exotic Threadneedle Street materialism of Hongkong.

It simply isn't so. One of the main tasks of any book such as this is to explain to those who do not already know that what we so often regard as Chinese, socially, culturally or even gastronomically, is equally as foreign to the billion-odd inhabitants who make up the does us to this day) but he People's Republic. Condition-might as well have been ing? Perhaps, but if so, it is not referring to the Middle King-recently done, and one need Christopher Parsons of mind which suggests that had proof. It stems from Clayre's

Chiang Kai Shek not proved researches for a promising new such an awful general, and Mao television documentary series been driven back into the which begins on Channel 4 at mountains whence his army the end of the month, and if came, China would have gone there is a better general guide to down the path of the rest of China for those who have not Asia, egged on by Henry Luce, a visited the country, then I am unaware of it. Quite why we are so ignorant

of China is something of a mystery itself, and one which is not explained by the hostility of the nation to all but fellow travellers for nearly 30 years from the victory of the communist forces. Neither is it the case that China has always been reflected in the West's imperial mirror (though it frequently has); there have been enough dedicated Sinologists over the years to counter that form of indulgence.

Perhaps it is simply, as ners on the silk route should. Cayre intimates, that China is start here. so different to any of the social models which we know, be they

communism, democracy, or dictatorship, and too allied to such distant ideas as Daoism and Confucianism that the bridge has traditionally proved too long to cross.

The author's approach is to break down his subject matter into logical areas of interest believing, cating, correcting and so on - and to tackle each in terms of historical attitudes and modern practice. So the chapter on crime and punishment contains a fascinating account of the trial of a Nanjing cat burglar, predictably enough after her neighbour's television set, and an account of traditional attitudes to criminals.

The chief criticism of the book is the way it sometimes follows the form of the television series at its own expense, The introductory chapter, "Remembering", would have been more successful if it had been written as a genuine introduction, instead of mirroring the shape of the television series. Ingeneral, however, one can only applaud such a comprehensive venture, well produced and with copious illustrations both ancient and modern.

It may not spark that exquisite frisson of recognition which an experienced China hand feels upon recognising a fellow addict of the orient, but that is not its purpose. Begin-

David Hewson

The remarkable story of a national industry saved from disester Essential reading for By all means read this book. Ensure that you become familiar with 'He has an excrun anyone who struggle to understand the realities of our the Strategy employed by commercial condition Edwardes and his kind. Out now in paperback.



THE TIMES DIARY

Childish rules

A woman with a babe in arms was surprised to be asked to pay £2 for the child at the Unicorn Theatre, which boasts that it is the only theatre in London where children are put first. She was told at the box office that GLC fire regulations meant no one could be let in free. The GLC, however, points out that since the Unicorn is a club it is not bound by local authority fine regulations. Theatre clubs need no licence and therefore no fire

The Unicorn's administrator, Buz Williams, says: "We do ask the GLC for advice and we try to comply with their suggestions as far as possible, but technically the GLC has no authority in this matter," Apologiz-ing for the entry fee for babies, he said this was to discourage parents from bringing along children of the wrong age for a particular pro-duction as they tended to be

As for the fire problem, Williams says until the GLC allows the Unicorn a public licence, "as a club you have the privilege of paying extra to burn to death".

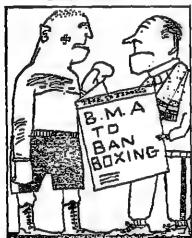
@ Perhaps Burns Night was not the most auspicious time to launch a Good Curry Guide, especially since one of the Swansea restaurants it mentions burnt down the day the guide went to press. Nevertheless, 1,137 of the 1,138 listed eating houses, from Penzance to Inverness, not forgetting Ireland, the Channel Islands and those in a foreign section, are still there - 50 far.

Mycenae missed

It grieves me to report that the February issue of the venerable and previously unimpeachable Illustrated London News, published today, contains a blatant example of cooking the books. On page 54, readers will note the magazine's archaeology report number 3,000, but this, I can reveal, is a lie. The ILN has actually published nearer 6,000 archaeology reports, starting with one in its very first issue in May 1842. Numbering did not begin until 1960, at the behest of the late Sir Bruce Ingram, who edited the magazine for 63 years, but in counting backwards Sir Bruce went no farther than the beginning of his own tenure in 1900.

"It was a pretty conceit on Ingram's part," says the present editor, James Bishop, "to assume that nothing of significance in archaeology had been reported before his time, but before 1900 the discoveries reported in the the discoveries reported in the ILN included Schliemann's work at Mycenae, Flinders Petrie in Egypt and the excavations at Nimroud."

BARRY FANTONI



Pen and politics

Fresh from writing Roche versus Adams, published today, Stanley Adams is taking up a different pursuit from authorship, namely the European parliament. Mr Adams, who claims he was hounded round Europe after taking a stand against the trading practices of the multinational drug company Hoffman-La Roche, has put his name down in 10 British constituencies for selection as a Labour Party candidate for June's Euro-elections

Hold that tiger

The reappearance of the supposedly extinct Tasmanian Tiger, otherwise known as the Tasmanian wolf and thylacinus cynocephalus, has caught the imagination of the American cable television mogul and yachting enthusiast Ted Turner, who has offered a \$100,000 reward for a confirmed sighting of the beast Turner, who won line honours in the Sydney-Hobart yacht race a few days before a new glimpse of the tiger was



reported last week, told PHS from his Atlanta headquarters: "It struck me like a thunderbolt when I saw the stuffed one in a Hobart museum. It would be real encouraging in these days of nuclear armament, when we're preparing to make ourselves extinct if we could find and may be save another species from extinc-tion." The Australians are not so sure. The ranger who spotted the beast had kept quiet for 18 months: to guard it against harassment, and now Rex Gilroy, of the Strange Animal Investigation Centre, says. he hopes Turner's bounty won't, tempt "ratbags with guns" to go, hunting the shy tiger, which was last PHS ing with employers, ministers and other sectors of society would

What Commonwealth?

In a speech at Leicester last Friday I stated what I took to be a constitutional axiom: "All the public utterances of the Sovereign". I said, "are covered by the advice of ministers". Immediately it was announced on behalf of the Prime Minister that there is an exception to this principle, namely, when the Sovereign is addressing "the Common-

The consequences of that assertion, if it is valid, are peculiar and alarming but fortunately I can examine it without criticizing the Sovereign or impugning her judgment, because ministerial advice that ministerial advice is not requisite is also ministerial advice, for which ministers must take responsibility and stand question.

If the alleged exception is valid, it must be valid whenever and wherever the Sovereign speaks "to the Commonwealth": it must apply equally on the Feast of Stephen and on Holy Innocents Day, it must apply whether she addressed "the Commonwealth" from London or Ottawa or Delhi.

Now, it has long been understood that the public utterances of the Sovereign to the people of a realm overseas, be it Australia or Grenada, are covered by the advice of her ministers in that realm. This proposition, admittedly, is not without its difficulties when the Sovereign is the same person in two or more realms where her ministers may tender divergent or opposing advice on the same subject; but so far the possibilities involved in these different capacities of the Sovereign have not caused embarrassment in practice.

The same principle however is scarcely thinkable in those countries of the Commonwealth which are republics and where by Enoch Powell

therefore there are no sovereign or minis-ters. In what capacity does the Sovereign address the citizens of India? As Queen of the United Kingdom, visiting India as she might visit France or Israel? If so, her utterances are covered by the advice of her UK ministers, notably the Foreign and Commonwealth Secretary. Or is it as Head of the Commonwealth? If so, there are no responsible ministers by whom she can be advised, because the Commonwealth as such has no government and no ministers, and she must be speaking therefore without responsible advice.

The difficulty is magnified when the Sovereign is conceived as addressing "the Commonwealth" comprising some countries which she rules on the advice of the respective ministers and other countries over which she does not reign at all. This is not merely a curious conundrum. It is a situation which poses an insoluble problem for the Monarch, since there is by definition no common organ of consent and consequently no responsible ministerial advice on which she can constitutionally act. Expressed in other terms, "the Common-wealth" is not a political entity, or indeed an entity at all except in make-believe.

The title "Head of the Commonwealth", against which from the government benches I registered a lone protest upon the second reading of the Royal Titles Bill in March 1953, enshrines a paradox which 30 years ago two countries in particular conspired for their own purposes to ignore: India, in order to become a republic while forfeiting none of

the privileges which allegiance had con-ferred, and Britain, in order to feed its delusion that the Empire was being transformed into something brighter and better still. The way had been paved, also deliberately, by the disastrous British Nationality Act of 1948, which purported to recognize a common citizenship based not upon common loyalty but upon adding together the citizenships defined by an ever-increasing number of independent states.

It was, incidentally, this severance of citizenship from political realities which made technically possible a huge and unintended settlement in Britain of Asian, African and Caribbean populations. It is the same severance which has placed the monarch in a situation constitutionally inexplicable and indefensible.

There is no doubt where the blame lies. It was upon the advice of the Crown's United Kingdom ministers that the chimera of the Commonwealth was invented and installed. Without the legislation, the UK legislation, of a series of British governments, the paraphernalia of a Commonwealth comprising 18 kingdoms, five other monarchies of which the Queen is not the monarch, and 26 republics, with our Sovereign as its purported "head", could never have come into existence. There is equally little room for doubt who is responsible for its continuance and who alone could end the constitutional contradiction in which the Sovereign has been caught up. It is Her Majesty's ministers in the United Kingdom

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Jeremy Seabrook on the Prime Minister's politics of fantasy

An end to fairy stories, please

There has always been considerable public distrust of politicians arising from the discrepancy between what they claim to represent and what they actually achieve. This contra-diction has lately become more marked; to such an extent that our political leaders not only do not stand for what they say they do, but in many cases clearly stand for the opposite.

An almost-symmetrical reversal of their historic roles seems to have occurred. Thus Labour becomes a conservative party, dedicated to preserving the health service and to safeguarding traditional industries, the very existence of which is threatened by the recent evolution of capitalism; while the Conservatives are increasingly the proponents of a regenerated laisser-faire for-merly associated with the Liberals: while the Liberals themselves are fighting shadowy battles around electoral reform, a ghostly replay of campaigns for the extension of a franchise that no longer has anywhere else to go, a sort of vaporous Chartist crusade.

As for the Social Democratic Party, it clearly embodies the politics of nostalgia - that yearning for consensus which, in its way, is an echo of an older paternalistic hankering for traditional values that resisted the thrusting certainties of political economy.

The one thing in which this game of political musical chairs is consistent is that each position is well anchored in historical precedent. This does not mean that they have no contemporary relevance -after all, the Health Service is well worth preserving and that Labour should be forced on the defensive does not undermine the value of that enterprise. Similarly, the new phase of capitalism requires the demolition of certain labourist defences, which the Tories have set about with enthusiasm.

But it bears little relation to the positions the parties claim to occupy. Thus, when Margaret Thatcher talks about sweeping away restrictive practices, modernizing and making way for the third industrial revolution", it has nothing to do with conserving anything. Quite the reverse.

Similarly, while Neil Kinnock defends jobs in decaying industries, he does not look like a radical force

The TUC has had to undergo its

most rigorous bout of self-criticism since George Woodcock asked, on

becoming secretary more than a decade ago. "What are we here for?".

He never satisfactorily answered his

own question, so another generation

is now having a go.

The result is TUC Strategy = 115 paragraphs and about 6,000 words

long - which was nodded through the General Council yesterday in draft form. It will now go out to TUC committees as the first stage of

a wide-ranging consultative process, culminating in a report to the

Bearing the personal imprimatur of the general secretary, Len Murray,

the six-part document examines "trade unionism in a changing Britain", the aim and objectives of

unions, their functions, the effect of

recent changes and their future

Delegates to last year's congress

voted three to two for an "objective reappraisal" of policies, and an urgent examination of why the trade union movement has failed to

persuade its members adequately to

support its policies, most notably

introducing the published version

of the paper yesterday, Mr Murray argued that when the trade union

movement is once again accepted as

being representative, then its stand-

the policy of voting Labour.

beyond 1984

September congress in Brighton.

in the country. And as for the belief away of those who obstinately that proportional representation refused to see the workings of divine providence in the freedom of capital restore universal harmony,

one can only wonder at the credulity of those who see the breakdown of consensus as a cause, rather than as a result of the present tensions between the various social and c forces in the country.

In all these positions, the sense of fantasy is strong; as perhaps belits a country that has lived for so long off its past glory. All the references of contemporary politics suggest a recycling of history, an attempt to interpret a bewildering present and an uncertain future by the invocation of past experience.

This tendency was widely commented on at the time of the Falklands war; but it has been less obvious in domestic policy, even though it has been equally strong there, and perhaps more convoluted.

Mrs Thatcher, after all, came to power as a deliverer. It was her intention to lift the yoke of the oppressor from the British people. That oppressor was, of course, the organized working class. The liberation she has pursued has, however, been able to call upon an earlier liberation from those constraints upon political economy, when it had to be freed from aristocratic interests still encumbered by restrictive practices like a sense of duty to the poor. The poor themselves also believed that they had a right to be protected from a destitution over which they had no control.

All the resistances had to be swept

and labour to find their own

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That a replay of this ancient triumph is the real purpose of the Conservatives since 1979 is clear from the language on which their crusade has drawn. This time, the residual protests of the tradition that derives from the one-nation Tories have been easily brushed aside. It is the attack on labour that has been at the heart of the enterprise. And have not the trade union leaders become the new barons; has not the aristocracy of labour formed itself into an overweening power in the land; has Thatcher berself not referred to the Labour-controlled authorities as "the last vestiges of feudal power?"

The old threat of the poor, the fear of the mob has been displaced by fear of organized labour, and this has been assimilated in fantasy to an

irresponsible and feudal power. This has given Mrs Thatcher an easy and dominant role in the politics of fantasy. What else have been those didactic fables with which she has regaled the nation for five years - families not living beyond their means, what every housewife knows, that domestic imagery which leaps so effortlessly into more exalted truths about the nature of the universe, "those economic laws which simply cannot

be abrogated". Of course, the contemporary version of these ideas had a more

immediate ring: Malthus's perpetual tendency of population to press against the means of subsistence have evolved into the greedy workers pricing themselves out of jobs, from which they are promptly evicted before our very eyes.

So the deliverance of capital from custom, so that it may be free to work its impenetrable but beneficent wonders, has been a repeat of that carlier struggle. And it is this vigorous fantasy that has set the terms of political debate, and has determined the positions of the parties of opposition. The sense of familiarity, of history

repeating itself, of deja-vu even, serves as a useful and comforting cloak for the dramatic reshaping of our people in the interests of a resurgent and regenerated capitalsm. It masks the real dynamic that is at work, reintegrating Britain into the global division of labour in the worldwide empire of capital.

The politics of fantasy offer reassurance and security, both of which may be in scant supply in the strange new future that is actually being prepared for us. One day we shall have to be roused from the politics of fantasy, and see them for what they are.

It is unlikely that the awakening will be serene for large numbers of people in Britain. Indeed, Mrs Thatcher has already begun to prepare us for it: this is what she means in the new year message that coyly warns us that Britain will become "a chillier, bumpier, less cosy place." OTher Newspaper Limited, 1984

TUC at Lovers' Leap —looking for the arms of its members

"ineluctably" improve. TUC Strat- the TUC wishes them to be, would egy admits there is a long way to go before that point is reached. While workers' support for the move-ment's policies cannot be measured by the numbers of votes cast for the Labour Party at the general election, neither can the rejection of Labour's policies be dismissed out of hand; some polls indicated that there was a lack of support from trade unionists for some policies that in part mirrored the TUC position.

"This suggests that unions have not yet sufficiently involved mem-bers in policy development and have

failed to inform members and win their support for union policies. *Unions are certainly not winning

all the arguments. They have real problems about communicating effectively with their members. In spite of their democratic structures, membership participation in some aspects of union affairs is less satisfactory than in others."

This assertion begs an important question: even if the unions were the consummate communicators that

their members necessarily go along with the views of their leaders? The paper admits that the election of a second-term Thatcher government signified that "a major section of the British people was, at the very least, willing to tolerate a philosophy which ran counter to the post-wa consensus on the welfare state and fall employment".

The TUC is thinking about conducting a MORI poil among union members about the organizations to which they belong and the kind of policies and objectives that they would like. The likely outcome of such a consultative exercise would be to reinforce the political shift taking place within the labour movement, away from the values and attitudes of the blue-collar unions that have traditionally dominated the TUC.

Indeed, the document itself could have been written by a social democrat. It deals cursorily with the Labour Party, in two paragraphs which concede that Labour govern-

ments have been a "major factor" in achieving union objectives, but which also insist: "The basis of current TUC involvement in government owes much to Churchill's wartime coalition and to Conservative government".

This evident desire to distance the TUC from the party political activities of trade unions is presumably founded on the rhetoric heard at the rostrum in Blackpool, when non party-political white-collar unions argued for a looser relation-ship with Labour in the wake of the disastrous election result.

The moderates who now control the TUC General Council regard the discussion paper as a good start. The left is understandably dismayed, but cannot offer a rival prescription for the future, and in the absence of an attractive alternative it must be assumed that the moderates will get

TUC Strategy may be a case of the bland leading the bland - and one deputy general secretary to whom I showed it on a train journey fell asleep during the task of reading it but it looks like being the spring-board for a movement to realign the British labour movement so that it more closely resembles the Scandi-navian or West German model.

Paul Routledge

Ronald Butt

A thinking centre for government

events but confess plainly that events have controlled me." Every politician could say the same as Abraham Lincoln, but understand-ably virtually all of them refrain. Even Lincoln's candid admission that his actions had not been determined by his deeply held personal conviction that slavery was wrong but had evolved pragmati-cally in defence of the nation and constitution, was made privately in

Yet for politicians to accept the imperatives of necessity and try to use them wisely is usually the better part of valour, and is nothing to be ashamed of. To fight for a wholly untenable position when the out-come is general ruin is never good politics. The best sort of politics is that in which the politician appre-hends necessity and fights for it with the instinctive understanding that the fight should be fought and can be won because ultimately, it has public support. That was the essential character of Mrs Thatcher's struggle against inflation in the last Parliament. But what comes next?

With inflation beaten back to 5 per cent, and growth this year forecast at 3 per cent, Mrs Thatcher has decided that further economies in the public sector can be achieved only by improved efficiency, and that public spending reduced only as a proportion of the nation's total product by the growth of the latter. It is hard to quarrel with it in terms

of immediate politics.

Many decades ago, the state took

over responsibility for health,
education and other essential services, and it cannot now take an axe to them if the result is to diminish the standard of state provision on which the overwhelming majority of the people has been brought to depend. But Mrs Thatcher appears to go further. She is disinclined to go further. She is disinclined to reconsider the basic structure, size and financing of the public-sector services in the long term. When, therefore, the axe of retrepchment is again brought out, it will as usual be directed at the easiest trees to chop, for lack of any

clear scale of priorities.

The other day, on BBC's Question Time, Mrs Thatcher's former adviser, Sir John Hoskyns, again returned to his theme that ministers do not have time to think, and that nowhere in Whitehall is there a central body doing any long-term thinking. Francis Pym and Denis Healey, who were in the same discussion, insisted that they had time to think when in the Cabinet, but then they would. Few ministers, except in the confidence of personal friendship, are soing to admit that it friendship, are going to admit that it is all they can do to keep up with the papers shovelled in front of them daily, and with the schemes devised for them, in the hope of being able to master enough to avoid political danger. Besides, a thinking mechanism at the centre might seriously subordinate individual ministerial responsibility, which is the stuff of political dignity, to collective Cabi-net responsibility.

Some Tory backbenchers have

been brooding over these things and an idea has been mooted. It is that the Prime Minister should reactivate a dormant sinecure, the office of the Paymaster-General, placing the PMG in Number 10 at the head of something like a Prime Ministerial department which could undertake both forward thinking and the coordination of immediate policy, making it could be a replacement of the Think Tank But instead of consisting of inspired amateurs operating outside the mainstream Whitehall system, it would comprise politicians and civil servants working within the machine. All Whitehall system, it would comprise the machine. ing within the machine. All White-hall papers would be copied to it.

In terms of current policy formulation, for example, it could help the Government to avoid the kind of departmental rivalries and muddle which have made such a mess of Housing Benefits and local government policy. Such a Downing Street department would also enable the Government to think ahead on such interrelated subjects as the shape and financing of the public sector, the interaction of welfare benefits and taxation, and the realities facing defence spending.

The Government, of course, has access to forward-thinking outside Whitehall. Although the Conservative Research Department has been down-graded by successive party chairmen and treasurers in search of economies, by means of staff cuts, the Centre for Policy Studies – founded by Mrs Thatcher and Sir Keith Joseph - has groups examin-ing policy possibilities for such subjects as welfare. But it has to operate without access to Whitehall papers and the kind of information only Whitehall can provide.

A PMG's department answerable to Mrs Thatcher would, however, be so equipped. Such an idea naturally arouses dislike in other Cabinet ministers who fear it might develop into a White House-type machine which would help to create a presidential Prime Ministership, Yet if the Chancellor of the Exchequer can have a chief secretary in the Cabinet, why should not the Prime Minister have comparable help? Perhaps because she does not

want to stir up trouble, perhaps because of her coolness towards institutional change, Mrs Thatcher appears to have turned the idea down when it was floated in her direction through what might be described as impeccably loyal channels. That is a pity. The idea has the advantage of getting away from the illusion that Whitehall's machinery is best cranked up by imported outsiders and quasi-ed-ministrative initiatives. Such a Downing Street apparatus would be within the tradition of ministerial responsibility operating through the Civil Service. It is perhaps an idea before its time, but it could come again because the need will persist.

"Now at the end of three years" struggle the nation's condition is not what either party, or any man, devised or expected." That too is Lincoln, at the end of the same letter, but it might as well be Mrs Thatcher at the end of the first phase of her struggle against inflation. Where, then, do we go from here, what circumstances shall we have to confront, how do we confront them? Without adequate means of tackling these questions Mrs Thatcher may find that events have controlled her - not in the best sort of way, as they did Lincoln (or as they did herself in the last Parliament), but in the worst. In other words, they might get

Paul Pickering

Toads that could land you in a hole

Other doctors' waiting rooms are stocked with Punch, or glossy guides to buying a country house, or the joys of killing wildlife at great expense. Perversely, my doctor prefers coffee-table books on deadly diseases. Usually these are quite depressing, but in one the other day found a racy little paper on-

One must be constantly open to new ideas, of course, and the GLC does give grants to some strange people. Even so, I had never dreamed that zombie-ism might be a particular problem in Kensington. But my sawbones must think it worthy of consideration, as does Dr E. Wade Davis in the Journal of Ethnopharmacology.
A zombie, as every schoolboy

knows, is a person who has been killed and raised from the dead by inister voodoo priests called bocors. These bocors have thriving private practices in Haiti, as do similar priests in every part of the Caribbean and probably now in west London.

"Zombie-ism exists and is a social phenomenon that can be explained ogically", says Dr Wade Davis, a Harvard scientist who has been working with Dr Lamarque Douyon, head of the Port-au-Prince psychi-

atric centre in Haiti.

They found that one of their customers, a M Clairvius Narcisse, died in 1962 but was still attending the hospital outpatients department.
Under our National Health Service he would have been turned away as no longer eligible for treatment. But Haiti is a caring society.

The doctors found from the clinic's records that Clairvius bad been pronounced dead at the local Albert Schweitzer hospital. He could point to a scar on his cheek made, he said, by a coffin nail and often put flowers on his own grave. His family didn't, because it was they who had murdered him.

A simple tale of Haitian countryfolk, one might think, to which only the superstitions are susceptible, but not according to the doctors. Wade Davis believes that producing a zombie is not at all magical but the result of a powerful chemical cocktail which induces the symptoms of death. The main ingredient Labour Editor is a deadly nerve poison contained in the puffer fish called tetrodotoxin.

Many restaurants in Japan pre-pare this fish, a great delicacy if one has a kamikaze outlook. The chefs need a special licence, because to follow a cookery book is a recipe for the last supper. Wade Davis discovered two cases of puffer fish aficianados who recovered during their own funerals to the embarrassment of all concerned.

Employees of Japanese-owned companies in Britain can be assured that they will not get puffer fish and chips in their works canteens. "We only serve cod," said a canteen worker at National Panasonic. The Suntory restaurant in London said: "We don't do it. I heard of one chef doing this for the BBC and I hear no more of him." (Are failing producers at the Beeb invited to eat puffer fish rather than suffer the ignominy of enforced resignation?)

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If you do not have a puffer handy, the bocars' other standby is certain types of toad that are described as veritable chemical factories. The World Wildlife Fund has recently reported that the xenobus laevis (no relation to F. R.) or African clawed toad from Angola has been multiply-ing in the Welsh valleys. Fortunately the mighty Bufo marinus, even more daunting, has yet to be found puddling around Pwilheli.

But, however plausible, this new American theory takes all the fun out of voodoo. Before long a Campaign for Real Zombies will be

shuffling into action.

"Where are people going to get all those frogs and things from anyway?" said a devotee of the Brazilian macumaba voodoo who runs a videotape exchange in the Postobello Road. "It's easy enough to get the ritual candles and chickens." Candles are fine and can be found

all over Kensington, but live chickens could present a problem. They tend not to hear you at Harrods if you ask for one on the hoof. Nor did their delicatessen have either preserved toad or powdered puffer fish.

One obviously has to make do with what's available locally. So if you see someone lurking around Highgate Cemetery with a distressed pigeon and a box of Swan Vestas it could be the Campaign for Real Zombies. Or it might just be zero Zombies. Or it might just be my doctor having one last bash at reviving a lucrative private patient.

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PASSING THE BUCK

President Reagan's economic House may well want to see turns, the spectre of the "dollar policy now goes into cold storage until after the election. Next week's Budget will duck the issue of the deficit. But the President cannot so easily put a freeze on the currency markets, through which the rest of the world will feel the uncomfortable ripples of this political year. Yesterday, just before his State of the Union address, the President put up his Treasury secretary Donald Regan to talk via satellite with financial journalists in seven European cities. The aim was to reassure America's restless trading partners that the free world's largest economy was in good heart and under firm control. It was not a convincing perform-

According to Mr Regan, Europe's economic troubles with America will all soon be over. The dollar will weaken during 1984, as American interest rates fall further and the current account of America's balance of payments remains heavily in the red. Lower interest rates and a cheaper dollar would please Europe, though it would also (Mr Regan is never one to miss a point for the folks back home) make American industry more competitive.

This "good news, bad news" syndrome, as put by Mr Regan, is just a little too glib. If the

size of his budget deficit makes markets again. this difficult. He points to Japan where the budget deficit is high and interest rates low - neglecting the different nature of Japan's heavily-controlled financial markets, and expressing the pious and improbable hope that Americans could be persuaded to finance the budget deficit cheaply by suddenly acquiring a Japanese appetite for saving.

President Reagan, too, has been cheerfully brushing aside the implications which his deficit has for interest rates. But his central bankers at the Federal Reserve Board are less optimistic - or disingenuous. They know that if interest rates are eased down this spring without any action to reduce the budget deficit, the markets may take fright. Internationally, that could precipitate, not a gentle downward realignment of the dollar. but the kind of slide that is unstoppable without a severe hike in interest rates later on. With a record current account deficit, America is asking the rest of the world to absorb an awful lot of dollars. Mr Regan listed the reasons they have been easy to place: low inflation, the boom, American recovery slows down even more this spring, the White est rates. But when sentiment

interest rates fail in order to keep overhang" that haunted Presithe wheels of growth turning dent Carter's attempts to stabiuntil after the election. But Mr lize his currency could be Regan refuses to accept that the stalking the world's financial

> No British government in this position could face an election with the equanimity displayed by Messrs Reagan and Regan. But then the international side of their economy matters much less to the Americans: a slide in their currency would have only slow and modest consequences for inflation, and would take several months to touch the domestic political battle. The rest of the world would suffer sooner from a switchback dollar. If nothing can be done about the deficit until the election, the least President Reagan can offer his allies is greater honesty about what must be done thereafter, That means more realistic forecasts and acknowledgement that interest rates cannot easily and safely be brought down until the budget is brought under control. It also means acceptance that the tax "reforms" hinted at by Mr Regan must mean higher taxes; that spending cuts will not, practically speaking, do the job

All this is politically difficult, but without a little honest guidance the markets may turn difficult too. And looking beyond November, it could pay dividends for the President as

THE SOVIET MEGAPHONE

pov is still delivering copy to issued in the Declaration pro-Pravila on the need to improve duced at the Prague summit in relations with the West, but less January 1983. welcome is his continued criticism of President Reagan, sug- add nothing to Nato's permagesting that Moscow will make nent position as a defensive no attempt to reach agreement alliance, while presumably not while the present US adminstration remains in power. It tends to confirm suspicions that his statement, released to foreign correspondents the day before publication, was intended more for readers abroad than to ment not to use weapons, either reassure the Soviet public that nuclear or conventional, except their leader is still firmly in control.

Despite repeated assurances that Mr Andropov will soon reappear in public, his absence since August has encouraged speculation that his faction is USSR. now acting in his name rather than under his direct orders, and mutual and balanced force it seems probable that Soviet reduction will allow the West to policy on arms negotiations is now a holding operation based largely on proposals already dismissed by Nato countries as too vague to lead to any real

agreement. Mr Andropov is of course right to emphasize that dialogue must be "directed towards the attainment of concrete agreements" but quite wrong to excuse avoiding negotiations by claiming that the recent, more conciliatory speech by President Reagan contained nothing new. The West is ready to return to the proper place for negotiation from Western Europe is quite course that there is someone in - the conference table - although present Warsaw Pact proposals

It is good that President Andro- remain much the same as those

A non-aggression pact would altering the precarious relationship between the member countries of the Warsaw Pact which allowed Soviet armed intervention in Hungary and Czechoslovakia. Nato's commitin response to attack, is more valuable in preserving peace than would be an acceptance of the Soviet call to agree to "no first use" of nuclear weapons, whatever the action of the

Resuming the Vienna talks on pursue the Soviet proposals of last June which might permit onsite inspections so that military observers from opposite sides could monitor the arrival and departure of troops into Central Europe. But there remains the large discrepancy in the calculations of East and West for the number of Soviet troops, severely limiting the chances of

speedy accord. insist that there can be no return to INF talks until US cruise and Pershing 2 missiles are removed unrealistic, especially after new the Krem Soviet missiles have been to meet.

installed, with considerable publicity, in East Germany and Czechoslovakia on the excuse of 'maintaining parity". In practice this would appear to mean "maintaining superiority", since in October 1979 President Brezhnev spoke of the "balance of forces" which had been achieved in Europe - yet while Nato deployed no cruise or Pershing 2 missiles until late last year, Soviet SS-20 missiles continued to be installed at an slarming rate.

Some 200 additional warheads had been added to the Soviet arsenal when in January 1983 Foreign Minister Gromyko stated that there was "rough parity" between the two sides. By last September even more SS-20 missiles had been deployed still before the Nato modernizawas talking of the "balance medium-range nuclear

Statements to the press by an unseen Mr Andropov will not by themselves achieve reductions in arms. A return to the conference tables in Vienna and Geneva might, and it should not be delayed until the outcome of the US elections is known - or until a more positive leadership For the Soviet statement to emerges in the Kremlin. There is much groundwork to be done before any US-Soviet summit can be considered, presuming of the Kremlin for the US President

LONDON ... DERRY

unionist the place is Londonderry: if you are Catholic and nationalist it is Derry. It sounds simple, but it is not. We are in Ulster.

In the first place most of the town's inhabitants, whoever they may be, regard themselves as Derrymen and call their city Derry, if only for convenience; unless they happen to be on a platform. Then the Protestant bishopric has never found it necessary to change to Londonderry at any time since the place was replanted as a colony by the City of London in 1610. The local cricket club is content with Derry, and no game on earth is less republican than that. Even the Apprentice Boys, one of the toughest manifestations of the Orange Order with some claim to have provoked the latest round of hostilities back in 1969, are the Apprentice Boys of Derry. It is not usage but history which governs reaction to the change of official name that has just been sanctioned.

The Londonderry City Council was notoriously gerrymandered under the old regime. The ward boundaries were managed so as to obtain a standing majority of unionist councillors out of a standing majority of nationalist to take its name from the city it electors. Since the reforms the SDLP has bad control and has Londonderry is holy ground to heart.

if you are Protestant and wanted to complete the job by erasing the British prefix in the name of the council. The council applied to the minister. Mr Christopher Patten, in accordance with the procedure of the Northern Ireland Local Government Act and he has granted the request. Only the name of the district council changes. The city itself remains Londonderry and will unless its royal charter is amended, so does the county. And we still have the Londonderry Air.

The political reaction on the unionist side is just what would be expected. The concession is represented as typical confirmation that the Northern Ireland Office (with or without the Foreign Office, the State Department and the CIA) is bent upon Irish unification; for is it not but a step from changing its name to be coupled with the traitor Lundy's. That may not disturb him. But his decision may come to plague the administration of which he is a member - and it was unnecesslegalistic reason for no change: that the council should continue arises out of. For the wall of

the tribe. It was from there that the cry of "No surrender" first went up. It was the rampart of Protestant Ulster's civil and religious liberty.

Macaulay noted that the wall of Londonderry was to the Protestants of Ulster what the trophy of Marathon was to the Athenians. He found it impossible not to respect the sentiment with which it came to be invested. "It is a sentiment which belongs to the higher and purer part of human nature, and adds not a little to the strength of states." Yet the worm which makes the Englishman (even the occasional Scotsman) such an unreliable guarantor of the Ulsterman was at work in Macaulay too. He could not look with unmixed complacency on the manner in which Londonderry commemorates her delivname to changing its jurisdic- erance, "The faults which are tion? Mr Patten must expect his ordinarily found in dominant castes and dominant sects have not seldom shown themselves without disguise at her festivities." Nothing has happened in the intervening hundred and forty years to alter the basis of ary when he had a perfectly good that judgment. Even Macaulay. the great justificator of the Irish wars of William of Orange. betrays symptoms of being a Northern Ireland Office man at

Green belt land

From Mr Anthony Holland Sir. Your leading article (January 12) is correct that the pressure on housing land in the South-east is not going to abate, but that should not mean that green fields and beauty spots should have to be despoiled to meet the appetite of house-builders.

In answer to a parliamentary question on June 1, 1981, the Defence Secretary stated that his department owned 56,192 acres in

Berkshire, Hampshire and Surrey and that this total had remained broadly unchanged since 1946.

I am also aware that it is MoD policy to reject pleas from the local authorities mentioned for land to be released for building. Indeed, this is evidenced by the lack of change in their holdings since the war.

With the case of modern transportation it is economic nonsense for the MoD to hold on to much of this valuable land for training when so much of it could be done in remote January 13.

areas. At least let them be forced to justify their requirements in a positive manner to an independent body.

leave to generals, the same can certainly be said for their assessment of military land requirements. Yours faithfully, ANTHONY D. R. HOLLAND Windlesham Manor, Windlesham,

Surrey.

If war is said to be too serious to

(National Organisers),

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

From the Bishop of Manchester and

Plea for progress

on Namibia

Sir, South Africa's rejection of Swapo's January 10, 1984, ceasefire proposal amounts to yet another refusal to implement the agreed United Nations plan for Namibian independence (Security Council resolution 435, 1978). The consequence of this position will clearly be to prolong the agony of the war-weary populations of both Namibia

The lack of public outcry in this country must stem partly from confusion bred by South Africa's presentation of the issues. Pretoria's position makes peace in Namibia contingent upon the achievement of

South African objectives in Angola.
It is these objectives which lead 10 the current death and destruction in Angola, an escalating conflict in which Swapo's armed wing has no role at all. Indeed, contrary to South African claims, not one Namibian has been injured or even involved in the fighting in Angola in recent

Not only does South Africa refuse to comply with the five-year-old United Nations plan for elections in Namibia, but it has been in military occupation of parts of Angola since 1981 and the United Nations Secretary General's report of January 11, 1984, indicates that South African forces are not withdrawing, but merely retreating to entrenched positions further

The only sense in which a Namibian settlement can be linked to the situation in Angola is that South African withdrawal from Namibia in terms of United Nations resolution 435 (1978) would deny Unita and South African forces occupying and attacking Angola their military base in northern Namibia.

The fundamental fact obscured by recent media coverage is that South African forces have no right to be either in Angola or Namibia, which they have occupied in defiance of international law since 1971, causing enormous suffering on the part of black Namibians.

On January 7, 1984, South Africa's Foreign Minister admitted that his Government's position "can entail confrontation with the whole world." Yet there has been hardly a murmur of protest in this country. This silence amounts to complacency while two nations are held hostage by a regime whose policies our own Government has described as "abhorrent."

We appeal to all who oppose apartheid to condemn South Africa's current aggression and intransigence.

Уошъ. ISTANLEY MANCHESTER, DENIS HEALEY, RUSSELL JOHNSTON, c/o The Namibian Support Committee, 53 Leverion Street, NW5.

Calke Abbey and CTT

From Lord Saye and Sele

Sir, The President of the Historic Houses Association has, in his letter of January 21, drawn attention to the plight of those historic houses, and notably Calke Abbey, which are prevented by archaic family trusts from establishing CTT-exempt maintenance funds under the amending legislation of the Finance Act 1982 Act 1982.

My own lawyers advise me that there is no way in which I can break through the fetters of my family trust in order to establish the appropriate fund needed to secure the long term survival of this historic house.

It is indeed ironic that the family trust system devised in the last century to preserve historic houses and their estates from the ravages of and their estates with the lavages of profligate owners can yet prove in this century by their very inflexibility to be their undoing.

The maintenance fund of the

Finance Act 1982 is therefore a haven from which some are arbitrarily excluded. This cannot have been the intention of Parlia-

Parliament alone can enact further legislation and it must be hoped that it will do so before other important houses involuntarily share the fate with which Calke Abbey is threatened. Yours faithfully SAYE AND SELE, Broughton Castle, Banbury, Oxfordshire.

Peace studies

From Mr Andrew McIntyre and Miss Vicki Newman Sir. We read with surprise Lady Cox's allegations (January 9) that Schools Against the Bomb is onesided when invited into schools. We

her outburst. Had she checked the facts, she would have discovered that Schools Against the Bomb exists to enable pupils to hear the full facts from

both sides of the nuclear debate. Our aim is to let pupils make up their own minds on this basis. To this end we distribute Governent literature alongside our own, and refuse school speaking dates

unless a pro-nuclear speaker is also

We provide speaking services to schools for balanced debates and discussions. How can such regard for balance be labelled as political indoctrination?

Yours for peace. ANDREW McINTYRE, VICKI NEWMAN, Schools Against the Bomb, 227 Seven Sisters Road, N4. January 9.

Royal broadcast called in question

From the Master of Balliol College, believe that this group has so far benefited from economic develop-

Sir, In your leader of January 21 you follow Mr Enoch Powell in criticising the content of the Queen's Christmas message. Mr Powell, punctilious as ever, insisted that he was not attacking the Queen personally but only the ministers (whoever they may have been) who tendered her advice about the

You rebuke Mr Powell for being circuitous and disingenuous. In making the speech, you say, the Queen took no advice and therefore she must be criticised personally and directly for being so naive as to believe there is a gap between rich and poor countries and so incautious as to suggest that the rich countries should do something

about that gap.

Hitherto, there has been a widely should not be personally criticised. This convention does not depend on disputable constitutional niceties concerning advice received by the Head of the Commonwealth. It is based on two principles of decency: first that it is unseemly for a monarch to wrangle with one of her subjects; and secondly that it is churlish to attack someone who is thus prevented from replying to the attack_

You have chosen to violate this convention. A violation would be justified only if the Monarch was guilty of a flagrant breach of her duty to be above partisan issues. Did the Christmas message contain such a breach? On the contrary, the charge made against it by Mr Powell and yourself is that it urged us to put global interests above merely national ones.

There is no gap, you say, between rich and poor countries because there is no clear dividing line between the poorest of the rich countries and the richest of the poor countries. You might as well argue that there is no difference between day and night because there is no clear dividing line where one ends and the other begins.

It will be little comfort to those who live in countries where famine is a constant danger to learn that they have their place on a continuum variation in per capita incomes among all the countries of the world.

Some of your readers may be unconcerned by your lapse in logic; some may forgive your discourtesy to the Queen; some may be unmoved by your contempt for the world's poor; but few, surely, will be able to stomach all three at once. Yours faithfully,

ANTHONY KENNY. The Master's Lodgings. Balliol College, Oxford. January 24.

From Mr Ian Peacock Sir, There is a "gap" between rich and poor nations. It is not clearly revealed by per capita income figures, although some of these

measures indicate that income is becoming more concentrated.
Rather it is reflected in the problems which the different types of govern-

ments have to face. For example, a poor nation's government usually has to tackle the problem of large numbers of people who have had to leave the agricultural sector and are seeking work in the towns. On per-capita income figures this group's living standards have improved – after all when they were in the subsistence agricultural sector they had no money income whatsoever. Howment

More generally, many govern-ments of developing countries have to cope with the fact that a significant proportion of their population have nowhere to live and are threatened, constantly or interminently, with starvation. This is a different kind of problem from that of poverty in the developed world and it is perhaps not surprising that the attempted solutions are frequently different.

To distinguish between rich and poor nations in this way is not "insidious egalitarianism" and implies no policy recommendations. apart from that of seeking to alleviate suffering, an aim common, I would hope, to both right and left. The Queen's comment that the

main aim of the Commonwealth is to redress "the economic balance between nations" does not mean, as you seem to imply, that income has to be taken from one group and given to another. The balance could equally well be achieved by ensuring that the means exist for those who are poor to become richer. The important debate is then

whether interventionism or the free market system is the better method to achieve this end. Yours faithfully, IAN PEACOCK 28 Staveley Road, Chiswick, W4. January 23.

From the Dean of Christ Church, Oxford

Sir, Not many weeks ago you launched a gratuitous attack on the enthronement sermon of the Archbishop of York. Now you have overreached yourself by a supercilious and deeply offensive criticism of the Queen's Christmas broadcast.

Those who have followed your pronouncements on religious and social issues during the last year will recognise that these two bouts of sniping (from the cover of anonymity) are simply the most recent moves in a sustained political campaign. One of its aims is to protect public policy from Christia-

Yours faithfully, E. W. HEATON, The Deanery, Christ Church, Oxford. January 24.

From Mrs Nerissa Jones Sir, Your second leader today is very shocking. No "gap"?

Let the Queen, as Head of the Commonwealth, use plain words in her Christmas broadcast. There is a clear line of division between rich and poor countries and it should be the main aim of the Commonwealth to redress "the economic balance between nations".

"Gap" describes it better then your "continuous range in per capita incomes among all the countries of the world". That makes it easy to ignore Lazarus lying at the rich man's gate.

Lazarus knew what a "gap" was. So would anyone who heard with me last year these lucid, pitiful and true words spoken by one of the utterly destitute patients in a Commonwealth West African psychiatric hospital: "Oh, Sister, get me something to eat, or I shall die tomorrow".

The patient was wrong. It took him three more days to starve to death. "Gap" is the word. Yours faithfully. NERISSA JONES, 32a St Petersbough Place, W2. January 21.

Church and remarriage

ever, few people who have seen the

shanty towns surrounding major cities in the developing world

From The Reverend John Palmer Sir, Clifford Longley's report (January 13) refers to a "revolt of the clergy (Anglican) on plans to remarry in church" those who have had a previous marriage end in

The headline is misleading it is option G of Synod's proposals that have been decisively rejected by the clergy in many dioceses. The parochial clergy are well aware of the danger of pastoral breakdown between ciergy and people that may

ensue if option G is adopted. The originators of the proposals for "remarriage" were motivated by the need for greater understanding, compassion and support for the many whose first marriage had failed, but somewhere along the line these motives have been overlaid by administrative and financial structures and at the moment there is a feeling that there is no real way forward on the road that Synod is trying to drive us up.

However there is a way in which the Church's expression of Christ's love can be shown without putting on one side the standards which

Christ himself has given us. A lot of time and energy has been expended in producing the new ASB, but nowhere in that book can be found a service for use in church following a civil marriage (the words "blessing" and "thanksgiving" have been deliberately avoided as they can lead to divisive argument).

If such a service could be produced for general use and much made of it, instead of "pushing it in a corner" as is the tendency at present, this would, I am sure, be acceptable to most clergy and lead, as many of us have found, to a really worthwhile pastoral relationship with couples who wish to remarry and follow this by a service in

Compromises often satisfy no one: this is not a compromise suggestion but a way forward for the Church to show those very feelings of understanding, compassion and support that the Synod's present proposals are in danger of losing sight of.

Yours faithfully, JOHN R. PALMER, The Vicarage, Four Marks, Hampshire. January 13.

find it disturbing that Lady Cox neglected to check the facts before

From Mr Gershon Ellenbogen

Sir. As one who spent some years as a part-time university lecturer, I am not unsympathetic to the proposal that academics should be eligible for judicial appointment, but I would venture to suggest an important limitation.

The academic lawyer, almost by definition, has less worldly and practical experience than the praclitioner, who is in direct contact with criminals, estranged spouses, businessmen, landlords and tenants, and so on ad lib (depending on the nature of his practice, which may be specialised or very general indeed).

The academic, unless he has had some experience of practice, is also unfamiliar with the cut and thrust of forensic questioning and argument and with the procedure of the courts. He is, therefore, less likely to be as good a judge on questions of fact,

which turn on the reliability of witnesses as well as on the rules of pleading and evidence, as the practitioner is.

If academics are to be appointed to the judiciary, then let such appointments be limited to the House of Lords. When a case reaches that ultimate tribunal questions of fact will have been conclusively decided, and the function of reconciling or resolving differences, apparent or real, between lines of authority in the lower courts - a function which often involves considerations of public policy and of jurisprudential

contribute both to the correct decision in the case and to the proper development of the law. I am etc.

GERSHON ELLENBOGEN. 2 Gray's Inn Square, WC1. January 17.

Data protection reassurance

From the Minister of State, Home

Sir, It would be a pity if the two letters which you have published recently about the Data Protection Bill (January 10 and 19) were to arouse quite unnecessary fears about the Bill's implications for historical records.

The Bill establishes eight principles to regulate the automatic processing of personal data and one of those principles declares that such data should not be held longer than is necessary for their stated purpose. But I think your correspondents may not have fully appreciated the effect of the special provision tin schedule 1, part II, paragraph 7) to ensure that personal data can be held indefinitely for historical purposes. It is not necessary that the data should originally have been collected for historical purposes.

Yours faithfully, DAVID WADDINGTON, Home Office, Queen Anne's Gate, SW1. January 23.

Attacks in Tube

From Mr Christopher Hurst Sir. The horrific story told by Mr P. M. Healy (January 13) of assaults on London Transport ticket collectors could not have happened on the underground systems of Washington DC and San Francisco, where both entry to and exit from the platforms are fully automated, or even on the relatively antiquated system of New York City, where the traveller has to buy a token before being able to operate the turnstile leading onto the platform and has to give up nothing

at all on completion of the journey.

Presumably it is the unions who insist on the exit gateways in London being manned, and who could instigate moves which would make assaults of the kind Mr Healy describes largely avoidable.

Yours faithfully. CHRISTOPHER HURST. 5 Brookway. Blackheath, SE3. January 13.

In wartime India

From Mr R. S. Bains Sir. Mr Philip Mason claims in his letter (January 11) that the men who resisted attempts to join the Indian National Army were subjected to heavy pressure, torture and brutality, I would like to point out that this charge, although central to the prosecution case, was not conclusively established by the Advocate General of India.

During the trial which began or November 5, 1945, the prosecution council did try to prove the alleged ill-treatment of the Indian prisonerof war in order to force them to join the Indian National Army.

presented a total of 25 witnesses before the court. When these witnesses were cross examined by the defence counsel the majority of them clearly and frankly admitted that they told the courwhat they had been tutored. The prosecution counsel, with all the state machinery at his disposal failed to prove that the accused had in any way committed any torture of atrocity. The accused, however, wen

found guilty of waging war against the King.
Under these circumstances it is highly inappropriate to accuse those men of the charge that could not be substantiated in the court of law.

Yours faithfully. R. S. BAINS. 34 Shere Road, Ganis Hill, Essex. January 14.

Fresh avenues

From Mr Richard Rogers Sir, I fail to follow the logic of Gav-Stamp's piece in *The Times* date December 31 ("A new avenue for the architects") in which he states a case for retaining the 1947 Plannin, Act on the basis that legislation has allowed to be built some near acceptable new buildings along

Shaftesbury Avenue. What Mr Stamp has failed to point out is that it is this same legislation that has led to the architectural disasters in cities such as Liverpool, Glasgow and London where Euston Road. Oxford Street and the Albert Embankment, across from the Houses of Parliament, are but a few examples.

The cost and time involved in responding to these exceptionally stringent laws, especially those covering aesthetics, have not even produced better environmental planning when compared with countries where planning laws are related primarily to zoning and not to aesthetics.

The present system takes away the direct responsibility for the environment from the public and the architect. Furthermore it encourages the client to seek an architect whose strength is political rather than creative, resulting in the loss of design quality, the very principle the legislation was set up to prevent.

Yours faithfully. RICHARD ROGERS, Richard Rogers & Partners Ltd., 49 Princes Place. Holland Park, W11. January 13.

Times standing still

From Mr D.R.W. Potter

January 18.

logic - is one which the professor of law is admirably qualified to fulful.

It is at that level that he can became engaged, married or died. Is this a record, or something to do with 1984? Yours faithfully DAVID R.W. POTTER, 16 William Mews, Lowndes Square, SW1.



AND SOCIAL

COURT CIRCULAR

KENSINGTON PALACE June 25; The Prince of Wales, today continued passage on HMS Glas-

June 25: The Princess Margaret, Countess of Snowdon, and Grand President of the St John Ambulance Association and Brigade, this afternoon visited the Headquarters of the Order of St John, Grosvenor Crescent.

Major the Lord Napier and Ettrick was in attendance.

The Duke of Edinburgh will visit Nottingham on March 2. Princess Anne, Chancellor of London University, will attend a dinner of University College Women's Dining Club at University College on March 2. Cross camp for disabled people at Pontins Holiday Camp, Weymouth, Dorset, on March 6 and also the new Royal British Legion Head-

Birthdays today

Mr Ronald Allison, 52: the Marquess of Bath, 79; Mr Michael Benune, 62: Miss Marti Caine, 39; Aomiral Sir Desmond Cassid, 59; Sir Roger Chance, 91; Mr Henry Cotton, 77; Mr William Dring, 80; Dr Jacqueline du Pré, 39: Mr C. J. Hampton, 38; Sir George Middleton, 79; Mr Paul Newman, 59; Mr C. H. Tidbury, 58; Sir Ronald Walker, 77: Miss Kaye Webb, 70,

Luncheon Royal College of Surgeous of England

of England
Professor Geoffrey Slancy, President of the Royal College of Surgeons of England, yesterday catertained at luncheon at the college Lord Smith, Sir Leonard Wolfson and Sir Gordon Robson.

Memorial service Professor F. D. Richardson

Professor F. D. Richardson
A memorial service for Professor
Frederick Denys Richardson was
Ald at the Church of Holy Trinity
and All Saints, Prince Consort
Road, South Kensington, London,
yesterday. The Rev Dr Martin Israel
officiated, Mr Hugh Richardson and
Mr Rodney Richardson, sons, read
the lessons and Professor James
leffer save an address Among those Jeffes gave an address. Among those

present were:
Mrs Richardson (widow), Mrs Hush
Richardson (dauphier-lin-law), Dr and Mrs P
R Goodwin, Dr and Mrs J W Richardson
Mr N Holmes, Mrs G Good
Lady Flowers representing the Rector of
the Laperial College of Science and
Technology), the Hon Mrs Judith Lytelion,
Sir James Heary, Lady Goodewa, Gr Monty

The Federation of American Scientists, which includes 47

Nobel prize winders, has described the testing of the first American missile intended to destroy orbiting satellites as "tragically ill-

The missile tests coincided

with the publication of a

technical review by the Federation of Anti-Satellites Wea-

A preface to the 25,000-

word monograph compares the

circumstances to those 12 years ago with the failure to limit Multiple Independently

Targeted Vehicles (MIRVs)

That is said to be recognized

now as a big mistake, and a failure to limit ASATs may

come to be seen in the same

Two steps are proposed:

The US Government

should seek an immediate

mutual moratorium on the

testing of anti-satellite wea-

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most critical and least devel-

oped element of ASAT tech-

There should be an in

mediate resumption of the

negotiations that began in

1978 for limiting those wea-

draft treaty limiting ASATs

which the Soviet Union sub-

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DAKS linen culottes.

pous (ASAT).

The Queen will give a reception on March 7 at Buckingham Palace to mark the 125th anniversary of the Corps of Commissionaires.

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The Queen and the Duke of Edinburgh will visit the annual stallion show of the National Light Horse Breeding Society at Newmarket on March 8.

Company and to receive the eighth jubilee saddle at Saddlers' Hall on

School of Ostcoputhy, will visit the school in Suffolk Street on March 8. A memorial service for Mr Digby Morion will be held in the Grosvenor Chapel, South Audley Street, at 11.30 today. A memorial service for Lieutennot-Colonel A. H. Cave will be held at St

Lawrence Jewry-next-Guildhall at

Dinners

The Speaker held a dinner for Croydon Business Venture in Speaker's House yesterday. Those



Marshal of the RAF Sir John Grandy to be President of the Air League from March 1 in succession to Air Chief Marshal Sir Denis Smallwood.

employment advisory committee in succession to Lord Carr of Hadley.

Mr David Graham, aged 50, Deputy Chief Constable of Cheshire, to be Chief Constable of the county in succession to Mr George Fenn, who

idea of an air-launched weapon

was conceived, culminating in

the present design of a small

rocket launched from an F-15

fighter. The rocket is a two-

stage device 18ft long, 18in in

diameter and weighing 1200 kilograms. The warhead con-tains a nimiature heat-seeking

which a target satellite can be

satellite weapon which is worrying the Russians is the

Space Shuttle, which could move close to a satellite and

sweep it up with its own robot

arm. However, that means

running the risk of picking up

an object in which there is a

self-destruct charge placed to

According to the feder-

ations' review, work is continu-

ing in the United States with

ground-lamiched versions of

the new miniature, heat-seek-ing warhead. In addition, the

United States has an extensive

programme of research on

"directed energy" weapons, especially lasers. The largest of them, the Triad laser, is

based on a two megawatt (two

million watts) infra-red chemi-

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powers were developed are

described in the accompanying

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Latest appointments Sale room

The Archbishop of Canterbury, Dr Robert Runcie, and Mr Terry Waite, his assistant for

Anglican communion affairs, admiring the cope and mitre yesterday which Dr Runcie is to present to the new Archbishop of Uganda, the Most Rev Yong Okoth, Dr Runcie

arrives in Kampala today for Bishop Okoth's enthronement (Photograph: Tony Lewis).

Latest appointments include: Mr Adrian Ham, Commercial Director of British Alcan Commercial Extrusions to be corporate planner of The British Waterways Board. Bargain \$35,200 paid for order signed by Charles II Sir Richard O'Brien, former Sir Richard Ubreen, former chairman of the Manpower Services Commission, to be chairman of the National Association for the Care and Resettlement of Offenders

ments, furniture, silver and 1906, went to a dealer from

occupied the settlement eight

ranking English and other silver made £160.909 with 9 per cent failing to sell.

years previously but had subsequently lost it again. The document sold in New York set the lagal seal on 109 years of British possession.

The most expensive lot also sold vesterday for £4,644 sold well below estimate. A cast was sold yesterday for £4,644

Australia honours Murdoch

Mr Rupert Murdoch, head of News Ltd, Australia, has been awarded the highest civil honour in

In the Australia Day honours list published today, in Canberra, Mr Murdoch is made a Companion of the Order of Australia. He is among three to receive a companionship. The citation says the award was

The Australian yachting team who regained the America's Cup last Mr Alan Bond, the syndicate

Mr Alan Bond, the syndicate chairman, becomes an officer of the Order of Australia, while the helmsman, John Bertrand, and crew members gained lesser honours.

The Ray W H Savage. Curate of St Sidwell and St Matthew, Expeler, dioceae of Exater, in retire on July 31.

Prob R H M Treen, Victor of Bishops Hull. Taunion, and Rural Dean of Taunton, dioceae of Bath and Wells, to resign as Rural Dean on March 31, and to tasking the benezico of Bishops Hull on April 9.

Latest wills

Thames, left estate valued at £154,779 net. After personnel the residue to the British Organization for Rehabilitation by Training. Mary Frances Pamela Burler Fliteroft, of Birkdale, Merseyside, who died intestate, left £596,454

Other estates include (net, before

tax paid): Brettell, Mr Harry Hodgson, of \$238,695 Brettell, Mr Edward, State of Colwyn Bay 275,020 Middleton, Mrs Gladys Mary, of 2306,136 Webber, Mr Alfred Disraeli £339,419 Farnham, Surrey

Covent Garden this summer. The £1.2m venture, backed by the Aris Council, the Greater London Arts Association and numerous individtials, will be housed in a converted fruit and vegetable warehouse in

charity. It is hoped that it will be self-supporting when it opens. It will have a 400-seat auditorium and a second stage in its restaurant.

Takeover will aid disabled gardeners

By Alan Toogood Horticulture Correspondent forticultural Therapy, the organization which promotes gardening therapy for disabled people, has taken over the Disabled Living Foundation's

garden research and advisory The type of work being done for handicapped gardeners in-cludes research on helping those confined to wheelchairs, who may find that growing plants in greenhouses is well within their capabilities. Out of doors, disabled people can grow vegetables, fruits and flowers in

raised beds. Recently much research has gone into modifying tools and equipment for disabled gardeners. Many lightweight hand

tools for cultivating and prun-ing are now available. Even digging is possible for many people with back trouble, as spades and forks have been modified to prevent bending the

back while digging.

Blind people often obtain great pleasure from growing plants with scented leaves and flowers. Horticultural Therapy also helps mentally handi-capped people with gardening. Horticultural Therapy feels that many more of the 3.9 per

cent of the population registered as handicapped would benefit from taking up gardening.
Since 1964 the foundation has been making information available to disabled gardeners.

Its publications include: Easy Path to Gardening (in conjunction with the Reader's Digest) and The Garden and the Handicapped Child.

It has also developed an inquiry service and has beloved

inquiry service and has helped to set up demonstration gardens at the Nuffield Orthopaedic Centre, the Royal Horricultural Society's Garden at Wisley, Surrey, the garden centres at Syon Park and Battersea Park, and the Wolfson Centre, Wim-

bledon.
Horticulture Therapy, of
Goulds Grounds, Vallis Way,
From, Somerset, BA11 3DW, was formed in 1978.

It runs an advisory service and management courses, pre-pares feasibility studies and mounts overseas projects.



Courage in the air: Squadron Leader David Gale, whose skill and courage saved the lives of 80 passengers, has been awarded the Queen's Commendation for Valuable

Service in the Air. In September, 1982, as a flight lieutenant on an exchange posting with the United States Air Force, he was piloting a transport plane in Germany when there was a serious engin failure immediately after take-off. His "calm decisiveness" was said to have contributed to the aircraft's successful emergency landing.

OBITUARY

THE VERY REV THOMAS **MURCHISON**

Churchman and Gaelic scholar

The Very Rev Thomas Murchison, who has died in Glasgow at the age of 76, was Moderator of the General Assembly of the Church of Scotland in 1969, and one of Scotland's most respected Gaelic scholars.

He contributed material to numerous publications, editing the monthly magazine of An Comunn Gaidhealach and a new edition of the Gaelic Bible for the National Bible Society of Scotland. He was regarded as Scotland's most prolific Gaelic writer of poetry and prose.

Murchison was born in Govan but grew up on Skye where he was educated at Kylerhea and Portree. He was at Glasgow University between 1926 and 1929 and then the Faculty of Divinity at the University until 1932. In 1964 he was awarded an honorary doctorate of Divinity by

Glasgow University. He began his ministry as a student missionary in Dervaig on Mull and in 1932 was appointed to his first charge at Gleneig Inverness-shire. In 1937 he became minister of St Columba Copland Road which in 1966 was united with a neighbouring congregation and became St Columbia Summertown. Here he was minister until his retirement in 1972.

Glasgow between 1965 and 1966 and was a founder, and for many years the secretary, of the Scottish Journal of Theology.

In 1958 Murchison was crowned bard of the National Mod in Glasgow and three years later became chief of the Gaelic Society of Inverness. He was honorary president of the Scottish Gaelic Texts Society and International President of

the Celtic Congress.

He was a member of the National Broadcasting Council for Scotland of the BBC (1952-57), chairman of the Scottish religious advisory committee of the Independent Broadcasting Authority and Scottish member of its Religious Advisers' Panel He founded the Highland Development League and was a vice president of An Comunn Gaidhealach.

His many publications included The Plight of the Smallholders, The Golden Key: Gaelic sermons of the Rev Malcolm Macleod and The Gaelic Prose Writing of Donald Lamont.

He was an authority on crofting and small communities, was a regular broadcaster, and from 1951 to 1979, was editor of the Gaelic Supplement to Life and Works.

Murchison will be remembered for his contribution to the A former convener of the spiritual and social life of Advisory Board and of the Scotland and for his scholarship Home Board he served as Moderator of the Presbytery of language and culture. spiritual and social life of

DR ROBERT LUCAS

Dr Robert Lucas, MBE, died in London on January 19 at the age of 79. During the war he had been one of the most distinguished members of the BBC German Service. Lucas's introduction to

broadcasting was a dramatic one. When on September 27, 1938, Just before the Munich Conference was arranged, the Prime Minister, Neville Chamberlain decided to address the nation on the danger of war, the BBC was asked with only two hours notice to put out translations in various lan-guages including German. Lucas was pulled in to do the

German version. He was put in a room without a typewriter. He had no advance copy and the speech was brought to him in short takes straight from the ticker. Then it was hurried, in his difficult Central European handwriting, to the studio where it was read with many delays and stumblings by Walter Goetz, the Dally Express cartoonist, who had also been brought in at the last moment.

Born with the surname Ehrenzweig in Vienna, Lucas read philosophy and chemistry there, and he worked in Berlin in the late 1920s as an industrial themist. He began to contribute to various newspapers and decided that the right profession for him was journalism. In 1934 he came to London as correspondent of the leading Vienna newspaper the Neue Frei Presse and remained in this post until

Hitler's invasion of Austria. In the BBC German Service he was one of the most talented of a very distinguished group of 1965.

JACKIE WILSON

Jackie Wilson, the American singer of rhythm and blues whose recordings were popular in the late 1950s, died in New Jersey, on January 21. He was

Wilson was an important link tion's stars.

boxing brought him a Golden Gloves title at the age of 16. His singing ability was first noticed by Johnny Otis; later he became the lead singer with Billy Ward and his Dominoes, subse-quently filling the gap in the group left by the departure of McPhatter.

release, was followed a year later by "Lonely Teardrops" which sold a million copies.

It was unnecessary to decide whether, as the decidration on the substantive certificate that the legal aid had run continuously from February 2, 1982 was conclusive. However, his Lordship thought that that argument was not well-founded as a legal aid certificate could only speak with authority from the date. who viewed him as a b speak with authority from the date of its own issue, and it was trated ballads.

Seriously wounded during a shooting incident in a New York hotel in 1961, he recovered to find his style being overtaken by the vanguard of soul music, and his later recordings betray a deep uncerrecordings betray a deep uncertainty. Only the sympathetic producers Carl Davis (with "Higher and Higher") and Eugene Record (with "You Got Me Walking") found the formula which remodelled Wilcom's talant with dignity. son's talent with dignity.

A thoughtful anthology, The Jackie Wilson Story, has recently rectified the long-standing omission of his work from the record catalogues.

Mr Edward J. Daly, who died on January 21 in Orinda,

German and Austrian exiles who worked as a team with their British colleagues. He will be remembered best of all for writing the letters of Lance-Corporal Hirnschal to his dearest wife Amalia in which the experiences of German soldiers at the front were satirized. Himschal has been compared, not to his disadvantage, with the Good Soldier

Schweik. In spite of intense jamming, the programme became immensely popular in Germany and one of its regular listeners was Dr Adenauer. A selection of the letters was published in 1946 in Switzerland and, more recently, in Germany, where it has been a best seller.

Lucas's best known work after the war was his Frieda Lawrence - the Story of Frieda van Richthofen and D. H. Lawrence which was also published in the United States and translated into many

languages.

He was appointed MBE in 1966 and a few years ago the Golden Order of Merit for services to the Federal Republic. of Austria.

He is survived by his wife and two sons.

Mr Andrew Hamilton Pike, CMG, OBE, who died on January 13 at the age of 80, was Minister for Lands and Mineral Resources in Tanganyika, as it then was, from 1957 to 1959.

Mr F. J. Spence, who died on January 24 at the age of 90, was president of the Wasps Rugby Football Clue from 1963 to

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in the tradition of black popular music derived from church singing. Influenced by the cospel quartets as well as by such secular singers as Roy Brown and Clyde McPhatter, he in turn left an imprint upon the styles of the next genera-Wilson's early interest in

"Reet Petite", his first solo

But he was often ill served by his producers and arrangers, Mario Lanza rather than an original product of Afro-American traditions; thus he found himself recording such incon-gruous material as "Danny Boy" and other over-orches

been an assisted person under the 1974 Act from February 2, 1982 onwards, and that he could not be

California, at the age of 61, was chairman of World Airways and as such became internationally



AT PHILLIPS A Gallé Cameo 'Magnolia' table lamp with an amber tin-

ted body and shade overlaid with two tones of rich ruby glass acid etched with branch of magnolia. Signed in cameo on base and shade. This lamp was sold in our July sale of Art Nouveau, Decorative

Arts and Studio Ceramics. The next sale will take place on 9 February at 11 am. Viewing: two days prior Illustrated Catalogue available.

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OPEN TOMORROW 9am-5.30pm

Princess Anne, Patron of Riding for the Disabled Association, will attend a luncheon to meet members of the council of the Saddlers'

Princess Anne, Patron of the British

Lawrence Jewry-next-Cumunan ac noon today.

A memorial service for Judge Rodney Bax, QC, will be held in Gray's Inn Chapel at 5pm today.

present were: Mr K Ackrowd, Mr R Alers, Mr Agithery, Mr C Beck, Mr F Ber Cosmillar P Bowness, Mr J Chedzoy, Doughly, Mr G Dove, Mr P Edge-Psi ton, Mr P Coldstellan, Mr K Green, I Harris, Mr K D Irons, Mr CSt Jonston, Lewin, Mr P Manyest, Mr J Nicholis,

United & Cecil Club Mr Sydney Chapman, MP, presided at a dinner given by the United & Cecil Club at the House of Commons yesterday. The guest of honour and speaker was Mr Patrick Lenkin MP.

Science report US scientists decry missile testing By Pearce Wright, Science Editor

mitted and to which the United

States has yet to respond. The new American device tested at the weekend, known as the Prototype Miniature Air Launched System (PMALS), is described as a significant improvement over existing Soviet ASAT consisting of a large satellite weighing several tons that is launched by a modified version of the Soviet Union's largest inter-continental missile. The Soviet Interceptor satellite manoevres to within striking range of its target. At a fer

kilometres distance a small explosive charge is detonated, showering the target satellite with shrappel.

Similar systems were tested by the United States until the Soviet satellites vulnerable to American ASATs Early Warning Rader Recce

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A sale of Items by Phillips of of the well-known bronze by American interest in New York Frederick Remington, "The on Tuesday included docu- Bronco Buster", dating from

ments, furniture, silver and paintings, making a total of New York for \$47,000 (£33,571) \$5563,197 (£402,283), with 24 against a pre-sale estimate of per cent failing to find buyers.

Mr Malcolm Forbes, the magazine proprietor and collector, would seem to have had something of a bargain in securing the most important together with a quantity of document on offer at \$35,200 track, reached £2,700 (estimate £25,142). It was Charles II's signed order for the acceptance of the surrender of New York by the Dutch in 1674 (estimate Christie's sale of middle-

by the Dutch in 1674 (estimate \$40,000 to \$50,000). The British had in fact

Mrs Millie Little, of Sunbury-on-

for service to the media, particularly the newspaper publishing industry. Mr Murdoch is chairman of News International, whose newspapers include The Times and The Sunday

Church news

Retirements and resignations

Covent Garden site for jazz centre

Britain's long-awaited National Jazz Centre is due to open in London's

Floral Street.

The centre is being run as

Law Report January 26 1984 Queen's Bench Division

Rescinding revoked legal aid certificate

Langford v Gibb Before Mr Esyr Lewis, QC

[Judgment delivered January 20] A legal aid general committee had

power to rescind a decision to revoke a legal aid certificate where that decision had been based upon a mistake of fact, and the effect of mistake of fact, and the effect of rescinding such a revocation would be that the beneficiary of the certificate would be an assisted person under the Legal Aid Act 1974 continuously from the date of the issue of the certificate. Moreover, the imposition on a grant of legal aid of a condition which was incarable of fulfillment did not incapable of fulfilment did not ender the grant void.

render the grant void.

Mr Esyr Lewis, QC, sitting as a deputy judge of the Queen's Bench Division, so held giving reasons for a decision on January 17 when he had awarded the plaintiff, Mr Graham George Langford, £2,400 costs against the defendant, Mr James Christopher Gibb, in an action in which judgment had been given in July 1983, although he had found that the defendant was an assisted person for the purposes of the 1974 Act.

Mr Nicholas Davidson for the

Mr Nicholas Davidson for the plaintiff, Mr Quintin Iwi for the defendant; Mr Duncan Matheson for the Law Society.
HIS LORDSHIP said that the HIS LORDSHIP said that the defendant had been granted an emergency legal aid certificate on February 2, 1982, but that that certificate had subsequently been revoked under regulation 76 of the Legal Aid General Regulations (SI 1980 No 1894) when an assessment officer had decided that his disposable capital exceeded the limit imposed under section 6 of the 1974 Act.

defendant's disposable capital had been found to be within the limit and so in December 1982 the general committee for the London west Legal Aid Area had purported to rescind the revocation and thereby to reinstate the defendant's legal aid for the whole of the period from February 2.

The emergency certificate had been replaced in January 1983 by a substantive certificate which stated substantive certificate which stated that the legal aid ran continuously from February 2, 1982, but expressed it to be conditional upon the papers and counsel's opinion being submitted to the committee for consideration as to whether the certificate should be amended or discharged before the action was set down for hearing. The action had in fact already been set down when that certificate was issued.

In February and April 1983

In February and April 1983 respectively, an emergency and a substantive legal aid certificate had been issued in respect of a second action which the plaintiff had brought against the defendant. They had been subject to the creations. had been subject to the same condition as the January certificate, and that action too had already been set down at the dates of issue. set down at the dates of issue.

The actions had been consolidated and heard in July 1983 and judgment given for the plaintiff.

The plaintiff had then applied for costs against the defendant, contending that the defendant was not an assisted person under the 1974 Act, or alternatively, if he was, for a determination under section 8(1) (e) of that Act of the costs which it was reasonable for the defendant to be ordered to pay.

ordered to pay.

Counsel for the plaintiff had

no power to rescind a decision to revoke an emergency certificate, irrespective of the basis upon which decision to revoke had been Such a result would be severely prejudicial to a defendant. The

prejudicial to a defendant. The effect of revocation was to deprive the beneficiary of all the protection which the certificate had given: it was as if he had never been legally sided at all, and he became personally liable for all costs which had been incurred since the issue of the certificate. the certificate.

If a certificate rovoked pursuant to a mistake of fact could not be revived when the mistake became apparent, great hardship could be caused to assisted persons. In the absence of any express provision, it was impossible to conclude that it had been intended that such a mistake could not be rectified.

The general principles of justice and fairness required that a general committee, should have power to rescind a revocation in such circumstances, and his Lordship was fortified in that conclusion by regulation 32 of the 1980 Personal control control control control control co regulation 82 of the 1980 Regu-lations which gave an assisted person rights to be heard and to person rigins to be neard and to appeal against a revocation unless it was made under regulation 76.

Moreover the decision in R & 7 Thew Ltd v Reeves ([1982] QB 172), to the effect that a general committee had no power to antedate a grant of legal aid did not hear on this rount.

bear on this point.

Accordingly, the defendant had been an assisted person from February 2, 1982, until the emergency certificate had been emergency certificate had been superseded by the substantive certificate.

necessary to look at the past history to determine when the defendant had become an assisted person. His Lordship could not accept the plaintiff's second argument that the imposing of a conditition which could not be fulfilled rendered the 1983 certificates null and void. The extent and scope of the logal aid granted was set out on each cartificate, and the condition took nothing away from the description of the legal aid in the certificate. Accordingly, he was an assisted person to the extent described despite the impossible condition.

It followed that the defendant had

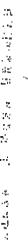
ordered to pay the plaintiff's costs except to the extent that was reasonable having regard to all the circumstances, including the means of both parties and their conduct in connexion with the action. Having considered all the circumstances, his Lordship thought it reasonable to order him to pay 52,400 towards the plaintiffs costs at the rate of £100 a month

commencing in September 1984. Solicitors: Budd Martin Burrett, Chelmsford; David Horner & Webb, Southend-on-Sea; Mr David ferrying refugees out of that

Fourteen salerooms throughout the United Kingdom Members of the Society of First Art Audiometr and the second second

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controls Wimpey. Unitary tax raises

standing.

more hackles After a full induced by President Reagan's delaying tactic of appointing a high commission, it looks as though the campaign against unitary taxation is gathering momentum. Mr Michael Grylls, Conservative MP for Surrey North West, will be seeing Mr John Moore, the Financial Secretary to the Treasury, on February 13 to seek a provision in the

abolish advanced corporation tax relief on American companies in Britain.

Finance Bill allowing the Government to

NEWS IN BRIEF Hunt to

pay BP large Wall Street house of Lehman Brothers, Kuhn Loeb \$41m will be presenting their evidence supporting a £10.7m law suit against Britain's leading stock-jobbers. Wedd, Durlacher, Mr Nelson Bunker Hunt must pay \$40.8m (£29m) to British Petroleum Exploration, a Dalias federal judge has ruled. US District Judge Joe A. Fish ruled that the Dallas multimillionaire must obey a British count's order to pay the compensation. The order ended an eight-year legal battle between Mr Hunt and the

There now begins an ex-tended legal battle that will take British oil company over a joint monts to settle, and cost since. venture at a Libyan oil field that was later nationalized by the Libyan government. 6 Nissan's president, Mr Takashi Ishihara said his company is studying the feasibility of building cars in the US. But any move depends on the outcome of the company's

prolonged discussions on the possibility of building a plant in Britain. Mr Ishibara said in Osaka that any move to the US would also have to be discussed with £8,000 each if they accept the from the deal, which some the union. Nissan began producing small trucks for the plan to buy out their rights to an precedent for other state indus-American market at a plant in Smyrna, Tennessee, last June. • Unit trust sales last year at proposals were formally given vesterday to the airlines's £2.459m were more than double the 1982 figure of £1,157m which had been a record. The number of people buying unit

trusts has also jumped dramati-

cally with unitholder accounts

flotation on the stock market increasing from 1.8 million to next year. 2.04 million. The first two-day round of Inland Revenue however means highly talks on rescheduling Poland's that the cash offer is not quite as national 1984 debt obligations opened in tempting as British Airways had London yesterday. Polish finance officials were said to be originally hoped to make it. Any employee taking the lump pressing representatives of 500 sum will receive the equivalent this is a burden that we felt we western creditor banks to include next year's debts in the of 85 per cent only of the pension benefits he has accumulated in his career - not

package as well. BRITAIN has replaced Saudi Arabia as West Germany's largest oil supplier last

critical fire

solution soon.

been saved £531m

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FINANCE AND INDUSTRY

Executive Editor Kenneth Fleet

Euston property coup

for British Land

Mr John Ritblat, the chairman of British

Land, vesterday appeared like a dog with two tails: as well he might after months of negotiation with George Wimpey to buy its half share in Euston Centre Properties.

For £39.9m. British Land acquired no fewer than 12 acres of London, an

impressive, prospective rent roll of £10m,

a 15p per share increase in net asset value.

and some useful franked income to set

against Advance Corporation Tax. And

the price paid is an astonishing 40 per cent

discount on the property's underlying

shareholders that the price paid to

Wimpey can be met from its own

resources: rights issues from property

companies are always bad news because

they dilute the net asset value of shares

and the n.a.v. is the best arbiter of a

property company's performance. Some of

the cash has been recouped by the sale of 3

per cent of stock conversion shares, which

came as part of the deal. About £5m of the

price relates to Vogue House, an office

building in Hanover Square, London W1.

Vogue House and the Euston Centre interest were valued in ECP's last accounts

at almost £120m. The Euston Centre's

tenants include Thames Television and

ICL: Vogue House's include Condé Nast

Mr Robert Clark, chairman of Stock Conversion, owner of the other half of ECP, must wonder how the clever Mr

Ritblat has done it. In fact the deal raises

rather more questions than it answers for

George Wimpey, Since that company was

set up by a certain Godfrey Mitchell, later

knighted, in 1919, it has not been noted

for its willingness to explain its actions.

Yesterday it was characteristically reluc-

tant to offer reasons for selling beyond "happiness" with the outcome. What is

clear is that Wimpey has £60m worth of

The company has been changing its profile since Sir Godfrey Mitchell bowed out in 1979 and though £31.5m, or even

£60m, is not huge by Wimpey's standards, the cash would be useful to help

strengthen its drive in the private housing

market. Wimpey is not comfortable with

Sir Lawrie Barratt's Barratt Developments

in pole position. There are also some signs

that Wimpey has its eye on aggregate

acquisitions: aggregates are a limited resource and rivals like Tarmac and Amey

Roadstone have been busy buying.

Wimpey can hardly afford to be left

Grove Charity Management's 49.9 per

cent stake in Wimpey. Rumour says that it

is for sale: there are plenty of precedents

for family trusts deciding it is too dangerous to leave all their eggs in one

basket. But whoever controls Grove

Of immediate interest is the fate of the

Publications.

property to dispose of.

British Land has taken pains to reassure

The International Monetary Fund is in a no win situation. The financial assistance it provides for member countries in distress is apt to be condemned as largesse for the undeserving while the economic and financial disciplines it seeks to impose may also be condemned as brutal instances of grinding the faces of the deserving. Much of the "research" into the IMF's record, behaviour and attitudes, is

In any event, the threat to abolish ACT

relief will be taken seriously by American

companies who in the last three years have

It is hardly surprising, therefore, that

Mr Donald Regan, the US Treasury Secretary, yesterday tried to mollify

European opinion by saying that his

commission would come up with a

The Fund under

100 biased for words and therefore more words need not be wasted in reporting it. That however, is not the case with a major new study* of the Fund's policies toward developing countries by a team under Mr Tony Killick, Director of the Overseas Development Institute. Mr Killick does not make sufficient allowances for the real world - and the shortage of available resources to hand out - in which the Fund has to operate, but his team's criticisms do merit serious con-sideration and some of his team's recommendations ought to be taken to

heart by the Fund's masters who have the power to after its ways. The central criticism is that pressure from the Reagan Adminstration and hardline European governments after 1981 compelled the Fund to tighten the conditions it imposes on borrowing countries. Since then deficit countries have more frequently been pressed to devalue their currencies and asked for

deeper commitments to change domestic

tackling contemporary balance of pay-

In essence, the Fund is accused of

economic policies.

ments problems with the same approach as it adopted in the 1960s. This, despite the fact that the problems facing deficit countries have changed fundamentally since that time, and in the face of evidence that the Fund's prescriptions are not working effectively. The Killick remedy is a new "real economy" approach for countries with deep seated payments problems. He and his colleagues areue strongly for change

in the "conditionality" laid down by the

Fund before granting creadits to deficit countries. They call on the Fund to initiate regular action to mobilize new funds from multilateral, bilateral and commercial sources. Mr Killick observed yesterday that "reductions to trade and payments restrictions are not best described as 'adjustment" More usefully, "the World Bank has distinguished between adjustment based upon slower growth, which narrows deficits by reducing imports, and

adjustments based on changes in the structure of output and demand in favour of the production of exports and import substitutes." This is a distinction that the IMF might

also adopt when drawing up programmes

for the errant and the overdrawn.

The Quest for Economic Stabilization (£16.50) and The IMF and Stabilization (£15) published

by the Heinemann Educational.

British Airways' 37,000 cm- Even so, a handful of the

ployees stand to receive an airline's employees stand to

average tax-free cash sum of receive as much as £40,000

state-owned airline's pioneering observers feel could act as a

its pension fund. They are arrangements two years ago. It

the 100 per cent that British chance to switch to a new

index-linked pension.

Details of the new pension

unions and to the 12 trustees of

regarded as critical to the

success of the airline's planned

An adverse ruling by the

Airways thought would be allowed by the taxmen.

Wedd court battle starts Within the next week millions of dollars to fight.

America's biggest investment The action centres on Wedd brokers, Merrill Lynch and the acting on behalf of a company large Wall Street house of called C & R Pastor last autumn Pastor sold short on large blocks of blue chip shares through Merrill Lynch and Lehman

Brothers but failed to deliver. The American brokers had to buy in the shares suffering a On January 13, Judge Robert Carter, presiding in the Sou-thern District Court of New joint loss of £10.7m. At the same time Pastor brought in large blocks of shares through Wedd - and paid for York, threw out a move by Wedd to have the suit disthem - but those shares never reached Merrill or Lehman.

Neither Mr Raphael Pastor,

chief executive of C & R Pastor,

nor the shares, have been seen

tries on the Government's

finance director, said the airline

first began reviewing it pension

would have gone ahead with its

plans for a new scheme even if

it had not been scheduled for

privatization.
"We have to operate in a

"Index linking commits us to

what are theoretically unlimited

future pension increases and

could not go on supporting."

Under the proposals, BA's employees are being given the

unindexed pension scheme

competitive inter-

business". he said.

Mr Gordon Duniop. BA's

privatization list.

Record exports lift current surplus to £2 billion

Battle expected after

£35m Stylo bid

Harris Queensway, yesterday he had offered to talk yesterday fired the first formal shots in morning, half an hour before

Bell bid likely to fail

Institutional shareholders of Gleneagles Hotels are adopting a "wait and see" approach to the unwanted £21m takeover there are bound to be further

bid from Arthur Bell & Sons, developments whether they be a which is due to reach its first higher offer from Bells, or

plans to raise £9.7m with a first full year outside British rights issue to fund the refur-

By Frances Williams, Economics Correspondent Britian ran a current account rise in deliveries of finished surplus on the balance of payments of more than £2 billion last year, four times the level predicted by the Treasury last November, and there are signs that the trade account may be improving after a sharp deterioration in the first half of

Exports have risen rapidly since last autumn to record levels, boosted by the revival in world trade. They pushed the visible trade balance into surplus in the final quarter after big deficits earlier in the year.

surplus looks likely this year, in sharp contrast to the Government's forecast of a zero Last months £495m surplus on trade in goods, announced yesterday by the Trade and Industry Department, was the biggest for a year, A jump in exports to a record total of £5.9

billion included a 9,5 per cent

Sir Terence Beckett: CBI director-general

CBI urges

cost-cutting

in Budget

By Our Economics

Measures to lower business

costs and improve competitive-ness must take priority over

income tax cuts in the Budget.

the Confederation of British

Industry urges in its recommen-

dations to Mr Nigel Lawson, the Chancellor, published yes-

1.5 to 2 per cent compared with

3 per cent in 1983. Given our

"weak competitive position"

cuts in income tax - beyond

raising thresholds to extra

compensate for rising prices -

would simply suck in imports, it

argues.
The employers' organization

wants the Chancellor to pursue

a "medium-term business strat-

egy" designed to sustain growth

at 3 per cent a year. Provided

government spending was held in check, this would enable the

Chancellor to cut taxes by £2

billion a year in each of his next

four budgets and still reduce

public borrowing as a pro-portion of national output, its

The CBI's 1984 Budget package, which would add £1.8

billion to public borrowing in 1984-85 and £2.5 billion in a

full year, has three main

A £1.6 billion reduction in

husiness costs through immedi-

are abolition of the employers'

national Insurance Surcharge,

the so-called "tax on jobs", and a 10 per cent cut in business

rates, now £6 billion a year. The

CBI wants this to be followed

next year by a reduction in employers' national insurance

Measures to boost enterprise

and investment "by making

share ownership as popular as

home-ownership" and reducing

laxes on investment income

They include abolition of the

investment income surcharge

and stamp duty on share deals,

Higher public investment in essential infrastructure like

roads and sewers financed from

cuts in government current

Gordon Dunlop: index-

linking 'a borden'

either take a cash sum equiva-

sionable service.

economists calculate.

components:

contributions.

spending.

Employees to get only 85% of benefits

Taxman hits BA pension pay-off

It gives a warning that

substantial current account

manufactures, as well as higher oil exports. £210m surplus on invisible trade-services such as insurance and shipping - brought the

before. Britain's trade performance ramains heavily dependent on oil. The oil surplus increased from £4.6 billion in 1982 to £6.9 billion last year while the deficit on non-oil trade widened from If the trend continues another £2.5 billion to £7.9 billion.

> of manufactured goods since the Industrial Revolution 200 years ago. Sir Terence Burns, the Government's chief economic adviser, said last week that he saw no prospect of eliminating the manufactured trade deficit

in manufactures, the first time

Britain has been a net importer

Mr Phil Harris, Chairman of

what is set to be one of the City's most acrimonious take-

over battles, when his company

said it was offering 325p per

share for Stylo, the Bradford

The bid comes after last

week's announcement by Harris

Queensway that it had been

rebuffed by the controlling Ziff family after talks about acquir-

Yesterday's offer values the shoe business at £35.6m, the

price mentioned in the talks, but also offers a premium of

450p each for the unlisted

carry 16 votes to every one of

the ordinary shares. Mr Harris

hopes that the higher offer will

be enough to encourage some

family members to defect. Without the support of at least

one family member it is

virtually impossible for Mr

Both sides yesterday accused

the other of stonewalling. Stylo's merchant bank advisers,

Lloyds Bank International, said

The management shares

management shares.

Harris to win control.

closing date today.

bid at the present level.

Most of the unquoted Scot-

tish hotel group's 17 share-

holders indicated yesterday that

they would not be accepting the

Two of the shareholders with

medium-sized stakes. Equity and Law and Scottish Mutual,

backed the management's fier-

cely independent stance and its

Japanese order

for Airship

to buy the first of what could be a number of British-made airships, valued at about £1.5m

each, from Airship Industries.

on the outcome of tests.

The first model is due to

month.

arrive in Japan in pieces next

The unnamed Japanese company, plans to buy three airships over the next five years.

A Japanese consortium plans

The consortium wants the

without action on costs and that an invitation made on

competitiveness economic re-recovery could start to fizzle out writing and then talk was never

shoe business.

oil deficit is attributable to trade on oil.

UK TRADE

Em, seasonally adjusted Current balance 5378 2016 781 -171 Visible balance balance 2119 3259 -954 2970 -1669 448 -295 898 173 830 current account surplus to £705m, more than twice the £317m recorded the month

(p) projections subject to revision Source: Department of Trade and About £5 billion of this nonas long as Britain had a surplus

> visible trade from a £1 billion deficit last year, compared with a surplus of £2.1 billion the year Total exports rose by 1.5 per cent in volume terms in last

year but when oil and erratic items such as ships and aircraft

However, Mr Harris said that

morning, half an hour before the bid was announced, but

received no response. He added

that on another occasion he had

been kept waiting on the telephone only to be told that Mr Arnold Ziff, the Stylo chairman, "was too busy to talk

Mr Harris said he had the

support of the holders of more than 30 per cent of the ordinary

shares, with letters to prove it

This would give the company

control of more than 35 per cent

of the shares, including Mr Harris's own holding. Mr Harris

said: "In three weeks we have

acceptances for 70 or 80 per

Stylo is still to make a formal

response - Mr Ziff was on his

way to London yesterday to

meet his advisers - but a Lloyds spokesman said: "There has

to go, which I do not accept for

irrevocable undertakings to

another party entering the fray.

The Kuwait Invesment Office

may bid and we think anyway that the management should be

Gieneagles yesterday issued figures for last year, which showed pretax profits comfort-

ably in excess of the forecast of

not less than £1m at £1.2m.

This compares with the £83,000 the company made in 1982, its

given longer to prove itself."

a dozen who would pay more."

cent of the ordinary shares."

Even the oil surplus, how-

ever, was not enough to keep

are excluded they fell by ! per cent. On the same basis imports were 9 per cent up from 1982.

But the latest figures are more encouraging. Non-oil exports rose 8 per cent in the final quarter last year, including a jump of 39 per cent in car exports, compared with a 6 per cent increase in imports.

The better export performance mainly reflects a pickup in the economies of Western Europe, with which Britain does more than half its trade, and the continuing boom in the United

Nevertheless the government will be disappointed that Britain's recovery has spurred imports rather than domestic

While manufacturing output has remained sluggish imports of consumer goods rose by 10.5 per cent and imports of capital goods by 16.4 per cent last year. reaching record levels at the year-end.

> deal signed with Italy

Helicopter

Mr Norman Lamont. Minister of State for Industry, and Signor Renato Altissimo, Ita-lian Minister of Industry, yesterday signed an agreement for both governments to provide aid to launch the civilian version of the £1 billion EH101

helicopter project.

repayable through a levy on sales. The Italian government will provide up to 75 per cent for Agusta's 127 billion lire (£53m) launch costs. Under the project, a 50-50 venture between Westland and Agusta, a potential market is forescen of 2,000 helicopters. About 900 of these will be for the civilian version and the rest divided between the British and

Itakan navies. A prototype is due to fly by the end of 1986

and regular production to begin in 1989.

The British Government will

advance £60m to Westland.

been no change of mind, the offer is far 100 low. If Stylo was Mr Lamont said: "It is a huge project for the U.K. and will a moment, there are at least half help us to secure 10,000 jobs in the aerospace industry at the peak of the programme. Some of these jobs will be in However, Mr Harris is prepared to drop the condition Westland's plant at Yeovil, that the board should give Somerset, and the others with

subcontractors elsewhere.

The EHIOL is a medium-

heavy three-engined helicopter.

with a cruising speed of 160

Market tops 840

The stock market staged its best one-day performance in more than 14 months yesterday helped by a bumper set of December trade figures and another firm opening on Wall

The FT index leapt 15.6 to a record high of 840.5 as institutional investors chased share prices steadily higher, Datastream calculated that by the close of business last night. £257 billion had been added to share values.

We apologize for the absence of Stock Exchange. Wall Street and unit trust prices because of a strike by members of the union Sogat 82.

STOCK EXCHANGES

FT Index: 840.5 up 15.6 FT Gilts: 92.87 down 0.04 FT All Share: 504.18 up 7.52 Bargains; 27,013 Datastream USM Leaders index: 104.21 up 0.74 New York: Dow Jones Average: (latest) 1248 up

Tokyo: Nikkel Dow Jones Index 10,115.10 down 92.18 Monekong: Nang Song Index 1,041.63 Amsterdam; 179.5 up 3.6 Sydney: AO Index 766.7 Frankfurti Commerzbank Index 1075.5 up 9.9 Brussels: Ceneral Indox 147.66 up 1.96 Paris: CAC Indox 175.1

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Zurich: SKA General 317.10

down 0.3

Dollar

London Close \$1.4025 up 0.0015 Index 61.8 up 0.2 DM 3.96 up 0.0050 FrF 12.09 up 0.0100 Yen 328.50 unchanged

Index 131.8 down 0.2

DM 2.8210 up 0.0015 NEW YORK LATEST

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am \$363.375 pm \$353.50 close \$365.25-\$387 (£261.5

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PUBLIC NOTICE

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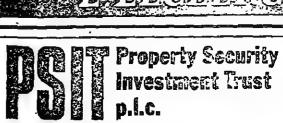
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share for the year. Unaudited figures £00001s 2,978 Gross rental income 2.712 Profit before tax dealing and extraordinary items 1,380 922 Dividend: preference 49 418 334

could choose to take a cash sum of £4,500 or opt for another five years and eight months of pensionable service. A manager,

idea how many employees would choose to switch to the new scheme. It would depend on individuals' circumstances. Any new employees BA takes on from now will have no choice but to join the new they decide to do so, they can lent to 85 per cent of their

accumulated benefits or opt for a higher final pension by commuting their rights in full into additional years of pen-As an example, BA said a which is being set up in April. If purser, aged 35, with 10 years'

aged 50, with 20 year's service and a salary of £13,700 could take £9,855 in cash or increase his years of service for the purposes of pension calculation by more than six years. Mr Dunlop said he had no

The cost of buying out the index-linked rights could be more than £240m if every member of BA's pension scheme opted to take the cash on offer, but BA does not seem to expect many more than half to take that route.

interest rate worries being overcome and the institutions

WALL STREET **Shares**

broadly

higher passengers. It will initially be used for passenger and charter services, maritime surveillance and military work, depending to the services of the services and military work.

Average was up almost 5 points.

It was ahead 71/2 carlier.

Advancing issues continued to hold nearly a 2-to-1 lead over declines. Mr Stephen Weisglass, president of Ladenburg Thalmann, said: "The market has been bottoming out for the past couple of days. Now we are going to see some new highs in

Mr Weisglass found that "a

lot of the investor disorien-

tation seems to be over with

per cent increase in November. It was the first decline since But the Commerce Department sais orders for non-defence capital goods, considered

that began in October. International Business Machines was 1171/2 up 1/4; American Telephone & Telegraph 661/8 down 14: General Motors 76%

a barometer of future plant and equipment spending, rose 1.8 per cent in December after a 6 per cent boost in November.

are moving in heavily", Before the market opened, the Government reported December durable goods orders dropped 1.1 per cent after a 3.4

Investors were waiting for the

up 4: Honeywell 123 up 4: Enstman Kodak 734 up 4: Ford 43% up 4: Exxon 394 up 4: and Texas Instruments 138% up 1%.

Treasury to report on the nation's deficit through the first three months of the Fiscal year

Interim Report Increase in profit and dividend. Directors anticipate a final dividend of 1.5p per share making a total of 2.25p (1983 1 Sp) per

Per ordinary share 0.7500.6p* "Adjusted for soun case

Surgery sharpens Gestetner

Drastic surgery looks to have put Gestetner Holdings, the Office equipment company, on a much sounder footing, though its American interests remain shaky. The decision to self Japanese-made copiers through Gesterner's own extensive disinstrumental in turning the 1981-82 pretax loss of £3.1m into a profit of £6.9m.

More links with Japanese manufacturers are due soon. costs were just £1,3m, against £4.7m and should be insignificent in the present year.

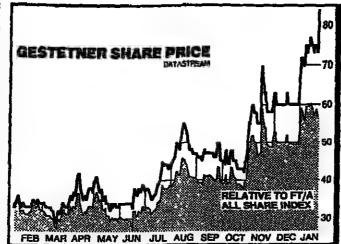
The closure of the loss-making half of the German organization which cost £4.3m is taken below the line. The profitable dealer network there is now free to show waht it can

A big question mark hangs over the US business after it turned in a much-bigger-than-expected loss of £6.9m. In dollar terms the US loss doubled from \$5m to \$10m and includes some hefty stock write-offs. This year will not see the

same stock losses, but it will need hard work to make the business profitable by the end of this year, which is the target The US suffered from over-

optimistic projections by the local management. Gesteiner expects the new management. headed by the former chief executive of the Canadian division, to avoid similar

The attributable loss has fallen from £16.9m to £7.4, but ings are up by 15m to £75m, but ision (down from £10.5m to guaring is little changed though £5.2m.



the company would prefer to shares rose 12p to 84p.

Even life after death has its ups and downs. On the surface, last year was a down for First National Finance Corporation, the consumer and property finance group once the vehicle of Mr Pat Matthews, darling of the fringe banking scene, and which has been patiently nursed back from the grave by Mr Stuart Dyer.

Pretax profit for the year to October fell from £15.2m to £11.4m. But the stock market is really only interested in the healthy consumer credit diva property revaluation has ision, which registered a sharp raised a surplus of £11m. to rise from £7.6m to £10.3m. The leave a net increase in share- downturn came mainly from holders' funds. Total horrow- the lending and property div-

The consumer finance busi-The total dividend for the stigma of depending on the old year is unchanged at 1.32. The bankers' lifeboat for funds. A £160m commercial refinancing last October means the credit business will benefit from relatively lower interest costs this year as well as a £40m expansion of business, worth a

> The property lending side, still realizing the properties acquired in lieu of customers' loan defaults, remains an irregular profit-earner, it owes the lifeboat about £84m which will be more difficult to

conservative £2m together.

refinance. With shareholders' funds up to £16.6m the group still must salt away another £20m to reconstruct capital and nondistributable reserves before it can pay a dividend.

So the main interest is in FNFC's takeover value. There have been many false rumours, but the most intriguing current plot sees Royal Bank of

LIVE CONTACTS

DEAD ENDS

'That's the difference'

Lloyds & Scottish to Lloyds using the proceeds to buy FNFC as the basis of a new consumer credit division,

After slipping to 661/2p yesterday, (against nominal earnings down from 12.5p to 9.8p). FNFC is valued at about £85m and well worth it in such a deal.

Union Discount

Union Discount's disclosed orofits may have fallen to £6.11m from £11.4m, but the house's ability to increase inner reserves while transfering £9m from them points to a strong underlying position. In the event, the profit carried forward was some £700,000 higher at £3.65m.

Neverthless, last year was difficult. Despite the decline in minimum lending rate over the year, each fall was too small and 100 long drawn out for signifi-cant profits to be made. The narrowing of spreads, especially during the periods in which the market smelt an impending rate cut, was one of the reasons for Union's total current assets coding the year at £1,747m compared with £2,198m.

Much of the increase in Inner Reserves stemmed from a jump from £18m to £43.5m in the leasing portfolio. The structure of assets also changed as holdings of commercial bills fell by £170m while the contingent liability on bills was £478m higher, reflecting the amount sold to the Bank. The final dividend has been raised by 3p to 20p, bringing the years total to 34p net, where on last night's share price of 763p, up 5p, the yield is comfortably over 6 per

Trusthouse Forte sells last travel **business**

Trusthouse Forte, Britain's biggest hotel group, yesterday announced the sale of Milbanke Travel, its last travel business, as part of the group's strategy of concentrating on its core hotel and catering activities.

No price was disclosed, although travel industry sources But there must already be a lot suggest that the deal could net of disappointed speculators THF at least £200,000.

Last year the group sold Swan Hellenic Craises to P & O for about £250,000. THF's leisure division, which included the Blackpool Tower and the Empire Ballroom in Leicester Square, London, was also sold for £37.5m to a new company headed by Lord Delfont.

Milbanke owns a chain of retail travel agencies in London and the South-East and has specialized in providing business travel packages.

THF agreed the sale of Milbanke to St. Margaret Investment, a little known investment group, after dis-cussions involving at least two other companies.

Park Food

Park Food Group, the hamper business which came to the USM in July, yesterday re-ported its expected loss for the half year to end September.

The deficit is £1.4m com pared with a £1.06 loss in the same period last year. The chairman, Mr Peter Sherlock says a record number of hampers were sold in the pre-Christmas period and year's profits should exceed last time's £1.2m.

Park Food's shares were offered at a minimum 85p tender price. Striking level was 95p. Yesterday they lost 1p to

MARKET REPORT • by Michael Clark

Oil shares bubble as BP joins calls for stability

Oil shares bubbled into life month, but P&O stood out Fraser, dipped 1p to 119p on among the constituents with a profit taking.

Britain's largest oil explorers loss of 1p to 259p.

ICL, Britian's largest comresterday as the heads of several of Britain's largest oil explorers joined together with Opec to call for world price stability.

Sir Peter Walters, chairman of BP, told members of the Energy Business conference in London that oil producing countries and the world econ-omy would benefit from an orderly world market than the present free-for-all. He said: The prescription for 1984 for Opec countries is world oil price tability. And for BP it's more

of the same". BP, which with Shell, will announce full year profits in March which are expected to be well above analysts' expec-tations, has now recovered from

P & O's new prestige liner the Royal Princess costing £100m is due to be launched in Helsinki next month and the ship's builder, Oy Wanila has taken the epportunity to announce its intention of becoming the first Funish company to be quoted on the London Stock Market, This will be preceded by a proposed rights Issue to raise £21.6m. The group, which boasts having bulk one-third of the world's liners last year, saw amid reports that a large line of profiles rise from FMk284m to stock had appeared on the FMk500m. The shares are scene. aiready listed in Helsinki and Stockholm.

the psychological setback of dry wells in Alaska and China. The group is still exploring in 27 countries and rationalization undertaken by Sir Peter when he became chairman is about to have its effect on profits.

Dr John Jennings, managing director of Shell UK Exploration, also called for between 60 and 90 small oil fields to be developed in the North Sea if Britian is to reroain self sufficent in oil until the turn of the century.

Shell's decision to bid 55 billion for its US minority holding fuelled further large gains among the rest of the oil sector. Shell returned from suspension at 638p compared with the suspension price of 623p and ended the day 661p a rise on the day of 23p, Royal Dutch returned at £35.03 against a suspension price of £34 and closed at £35.73. That

is a rise of 70p. Others to gain ground in-cluded BP 9p up at 435p, British Bornen 9p at 300p, British 3p at 236p, Burmah 12p at 200p. Careless Capel 10p at 33p. Charterhouse Petroleum 12p at 149p, Goal Petroleum 8p at 106p, Imperial Continental Gas 17p at 293p, KCA Drilling 4p at 32p. Lasmo 12p at 343p, Premier Consolidated 61/2p at 60p. Tricentrol 7p at 210p,

Ultramar 27p at 689p. On the USM Sovereign Oil bounced 32p to 214p on market hopes for its stake in the South Brae field in the North Sea.

A bumper set of December rade figures combined with mother firm opening on Wall Street to enable the stock market to resume its recordoreaking run.

The equity market had its est one-day rise in more than 14 months as the FT index soared 15.6 to a record 840.5. This added more than 12.57 billion to share values at £171.56 billion according to Datastream. Double figure gains were reported among most blue chips as institutional investors decided to throw caution to the wind and chase share prices sharply higher. Allied-Lyons rose 5p to 153p,

BICC 6p to 276p, BTR 3p to 34p. Beecham 4p to 320p, Blue A349, Beecham 49 to 3.309, Bate Circle 3p to 441p, BOC Group 2p to 299p. Bowater 10p to 299p. Courtaulds 6p to 141p, Distillers 3p to 265p, GKN 4p to 207p. Glavo 8p to 795p, Grand Metropolitan 22p to 363p ICI 2p to 634p Mortes 8. 63p. ICI 2p to 634p. Marks & Spencer 3p to 230p, Plessey 8p to 234p, Tate & Lyle 5p to 415p, Thorn EMI 8p to 650p, TI Group 4p to 202p, Trust-house Forte 3p to 215p. following an acquisition, and Vickers 9p to 145p.

Once again the appearance of US investors after hours only served to turn the screw on the jobbers now anxiously short of stock among those stocks with a

ransatlantic flavour.
Guilts remained overshadowed, despite the trade figures, with losses of up to 25p reported by dealers at the longer end in thin trade, A £12m Rochdale Metropolitan Council loan, a 1981 "droplock", was placed with institutional shareholders at par. It carries an 11,10 per cent coupon until 2006. Dealings are expected to start on Monday.

The big high street clearing banks also shook off the gloom that surrounded them earlier in the week as investors took a fresh look at the sector in the run up to next month's dividend season.

The Bank of Scotland rose 3p to 629p, Barclays 5p to 562p, Lloyds Bank 20p to 599p, Midland 7p to 424p and National Westminster 30p to 764p. Only Royal Bank of Scotland resisted the trend slipping 1p to 214p, after 216p amid reports that a large line of The discount housed encoun-

tered profit taking after the recent bout of speculative support following the mystery approach for Gerrard & National which held steady at 337p. Falls were seen in Jess Toynbee 1p to 85p, King & Shaxson 1p to 125p, Smith St Aubyn 2p to 54p and Clive Discount ip to 53p. Standing out against the rest, Alexanders Discount added 2p to 409p and Union Discount rose 5p to 763p.

Composite insurance shares joined the upward trend, but failed to hold their best levels. Commercial Union rose 4p to 93p, General Accident 3p to 468p, Guardian Royal 7p to 533p, Minister Assets 7p to 129p. Phoenix Assurance 4p to 440p and Sua Alliance 75p to £15¼. Royal Insurance closed all square at 528p.

The pot of gold waiting for

newspaper publishers at the end of the Reuter's rainbow continued to attract support. Associated Newspapers, owner of the Daily Mail and Mail on Sunday, stood out with a rise of 17p to 483p, while the Daily Mail Trust ordinary and "A" added 5p a piece at 880p. East Midland and Allied Press 'A' firmed 2p to 88p. Fleet Holdings, where Mr Robert Holmes a' Court's ACC has just increased its stake to 8.1 per cent, added another 3p to 179. International Thomson rose 10p to 815p and United Newspapers was wanted 10p better at 330p.

The share price of London Brick, which is the subject of an unwanted £212m takeover bid from Hanson Trust, rose 4p yesterday to 161p in anticipation of a strong defence document due this morning. The company is expected to forecast profits of more han £34m for 1984 and to promise a doubled dividend. An asset valuation the company is preparing will be held back for a later stage of the bid battle.

BAT Industries, still celebrating its recent acquisition of Eagle Star, was yesterday playing down suggestions that it was about to bid for House of Fraser and buy Lonrho's near 30 per cent stake in the Harrods store group. A spokesman for BAT said: "We never coment on market rumours".

The group's acquisition policy is fundamentally un-changed. "We are a dynamic orgaization and from time to time will do things", he added. Following the Eagle Star bid the emphasis at the group appears to be on organic growth, although small acquisition would not be ruled out. BAT rose 1p to 199p, while House of Fraser extended its recent run closing 12p dearer at a new high of 178p - for a two day rise of Imperial Group hardened 8p 30p. Lourho, which is thought to 156p ahead of figures next to be ready to sell its stake in

puter manufacturer, rose 3p to 66p ahead of last night's seminar arranged by the group's broker with leading City analysts to discuss the course of its

Coates Patons, the textile group, spuried 7p to 107p following another bullish circular, this time from broker De Zoete & Bevan. De Zoete says the shares fundamentally undervalued and that a prospective p/e of between five and six is too low. But the market has never been prepared to back its judgement because it perceived no dnamic changes taking place which would alter the flat profit prfile of the past few years.

However, the position is changing and the shares are now breaking new ground. This year should prove good for the group with an improvement in the

quality of earnings. Stores could only encounter selective support and appear to have been given the cold shoulder by investors of late. The thinking among many analysis is that the sector has run ahead of events lately and must now enter a phase of consolidation. Owen Owen spurted 5p to 176p, Audiotronic 1p to 25p, British Home Stores 3p to 121p, Burton Group ordinary 2p to 452p, Currys 3p to 308p, Habitat Mothercare 2p to 274p, Raybeck 3p to 41p and W H Smith 2p to 130p.

Among the mail order groups Freemans on 98p, Grattan on 68p and Empire Stores on 72p

all added 2p a piece.

The French bave again expressed interest at a Channel

The market's underlying strength was highlighted in shares of the insurance broker Sedgwick Group yesterday after a line of 200,000 shares were placed in the market. The price slipped 5p to 235p on news of the placing, hut, when it was discovered the ease with which they were snapped up, closed all square on the day.

link and that inspired a rise of 38p to (23p in that old perrenial favourite Channel Tunnel Investments. Meanwhile, there was speculative support for some of the takeover favourites including Harold Ingram on 343p. Chamberlain Phipps on 79p, Inchcape on 325p and Metal Closures all 7p to 40p higher in thin markets.

Brewery shares sparkled in active trade with most of the leaders closing higher. Bass rose 7p to 325p, H P Bulmer 2p to 243p, Greenall Whiteley 1p to 136p. Arthur Guinness 1p to 144p. Scottish & Newcastle 11/p to 141p. Only Vaux Breweries, 2p easier at 235p, and Wolverhampton & Dudley a similar figure, lower at 246p failed to improve.

Merchant banker Kleinwort Benson has increased its holding in the Charter Trust & Agency with the purchase of an extra I million shares. Kleinwort now speaks for 5.16 million shares, or 6.4 per cent of the total issued capital. Charter Trust closed unchanged at 66p.

The private investment group Establishment Plambit bought an extra 50,000 shares in the David Dixon Group lifting its holding to 525,000 shares, or 28.9 per cent. This holding combined holding of the two parties to 610,000 shares (33.58 per cent) or 29.96 of the voting rights. David Dixon was unmoved on the news at 112p.

The trustees of the Desoutter Bros pension fund have bought 500,000 shares in the company representing 5.3 per cent of the equity. Shares of the powered hand tools manufacturer were unchanged at 106p.

The Prudential Corporation bought 318,000 shares in Deritend Stamping, the forging, casting and electrical group.
This takes us stake up to 6.03
per cent. Deritend closed unchanged at a high of 101p.

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link with CBS/Fox

distributors with a USM share presence, has forged a 15-year leasing link with CBS/Fox, the American

Through its British off shoot. CBS/Fox is acquiring a half share in two Intervision leasing companies set up nine months

The Intervision operations lease video cassettes to garages and off-licences, which then rent them to viewers.

Intervision-CBS/Fox intends

to cover all available world markets with the exception of the US and Canada. The partnership hopes to make a deal with an international oil group to sell through its eroup to sell through its Australian garage chain. West Germany is another market which features in its early plans.

Intervision is the first video leaser to form a joint company with a big Hollywood group. Yesterday its shares, strong lately, fell 2p to 32p.

In brief

 Bootham Engineers: Dividend 3p (6p) for year to October 31. 1983. Group turnover £7.859 (£7.819.716). Pretax profit £25.542 (£106.387). Extraordinary debit — cost of closure of a factory and related redundancies £29.614 (nil). Leaving group profit autibu-Leaving group profit attribu-table to shareholders £14.676 (£116,918), EPS 4,25p (11,25p).

Shares 110 down 28. . M J Gleeson Group: At the annual meeting yesterday, the chairman, Mr J P Gleeson, said that turnover for 1983-1984 should be at the same level as attained in 1982-1983 and there was a possibility of an improved trading margin, despite pressures on the construction industry at home, when the Nigerian contract was com-

OKLP Group: Results for the year to September 30, 1983. Dividend 1.6p for year (nil). Waivers by directors have reduced cost of dividend by 77 per cent. Figures in £000. Turnover 5.839 (5.231). Pretax profit 548 (408). Tax 283 (227). Minorities nil (2) EPS 6.76p (4.67n).

 McLeod Russel: First interim statement on an 18-month period to September 30, 1984. Interim dividend 3.5p.
In the UK Masons Com-

pany's paint manufacturing company is trading above the level of the previous year in volume and profit terms.

last year, although it continues to experience stiff competition. ■ Elders: Elders has acquired of the Bank of England. 22 million ordinary in Goodman Group, a leading New Zealand public company, with a market capitalization of management, the adequacy of bank.

"The Act contains certain is scrupulously silent on the broadly drawn prudential crispecific maximum prudent level of exposure for any one management, the adequacy of bank. NZ\$330m. This investment of approximately 20 per cent of the issued capital offers Elders the opportunity to become more closely involved in New Zealand and in the increasing economic activity between the

Alfred Walker: Results for half year to October 31, 1983. The board forecast for the year to April 30, 1984, A dividend of not less than 0.75p for each share currently in issue. Figures in £000. Group turnover 457 (354). Pretax profit 30 (30). After interest. No tax (same). EPS 1.71p (1.71p). Shares

 DPCE Holdings: Half year
to December 31, 1983. Interim dividend 0.7p. Figures in £000. Revenue 3,404 (2,486). Loan stock interest 4 (60). Pretax profit 818 (459). Tax 268 (140). Attributable to members 550 (319). EPS 4.7p.

Intervision Old Lady shows the financial world an acceptable face of supervision

The question of the protection of investors and depositors and the wider issue of how financial markets and institutions should be regulated has been thrown into the headlines once again by three events.

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First, came the news on January 13 that the New Cross banking supervision, the Bank management of all supervised some aspects of supervision building Society was to be of England, to its eternal credit institutions.

"The Bank's system is demonstrated and the comfort of the banking where there can be no absolute the supervision of or objective basis for applying signed to enable the supervisor independ Comitted advances in Society, after orders made by the Chief Registrar of Friendly Societies effectively withdraw-ing the New Cross's designation of "trustee status" and denying it the right to accept further

Investor Protection was published on January 18. It made cussion about the central wide-ranging proposals for the supervisory issues of the regulation of the institutions and markets concerned with investment.

And thirdly, there has been a spate of announcements of deals, effected and still in

> Bankers have learnt to live comfortably with the new framework

financial institutions domestic and overseas, to buy into existing London Stock Exchange firms and other financial institutions, thereby heralding a re-drawing of the City insti-tutional map and provoking a keen debate on whether the authorities should step in to influence the map's shape and how, eventually, the new, sometimes conglomerate, institutions which emerge should be regulated.

debate on these matters, it is worth recalling that the banking community, as distinct from the investment community and the building societies, has recently experienced some radical changes in the manner in which it is supervised and the legal framework in which that supervision is undertaken. The banking community, with one or two minor exceptions, has learnt to live comfortably with

framework. The basis of the new system of supervision is the Banking Act 1979. In the words of Mr John Fforde, an adviser to the volume and profit terms.

Arthur Edge, the company's drop forging business, is trading profitably at a higher level than lation is a general prohibition

the new style and the new

capital and liquidity and the prudent conduct of the business against which the Bank as supervisory authority, may grant deposit-taking authority.

"But it leaves a wider measure of discretion to the Bank on the interpretation and application to individual deposit-taking companies of the criteria for initial and continu-

ing authorization.
So the Bank turned its attention to the central supervisory issues of the measure-ment and assessment of liquidity, capital adequacy and foreign currency exposure. This comprehensive overhaul of the techniques of banking superthe much greater variety of financial instruments in bank balance sheets and the increased

In setting about this task of

As the debate about investor protection grows, John Cooper studies how the Bank of England tackled the role of banks' referee

Woolwich Equitable Building community, set its face firmly against any regime which smacked of dirigisme and adopted a flexible approach involving the close partici-pation of the supervised banks

themselves. investments.

Secondly, Part 1 of Professor
Lawrence Gowers Review of established a common conceptual framework for any disliquidity, capital adequacy and foreign currency exposure.

> It did so, not by retreating to an ivory tower and producing concepts unfamiliar to the practitioners of banking in the market place, but rather by initiating a wide-ranging discussion with those practitioners, from which emerged papers acceptable as much to the supervised as the supervisors.

The second participatitive aspect lies in the very technique of supervision subsequently prospect, for banks and other practised by the Bank, Based on regular monthly and quarterly statistical returns made by each bank and deposit-taking insti-tution authorised under the Act, this technique involves regular meetings with the senior man-agement of those institutions to discuss their condition in terms of the agreed conceptual frame-

And it should be emphasized that all the aspects of an institution's condition which come up at these meetings are, As a background to the public or certainly ought to be. of continuing concern to its senior management. A practical example is provided by the exposure to changes in foreign exchange rates to which a bank

> Methods for measuring this exposure have been agreed between the Bank and the

'It is important that the arbiter's ruling be readily accepted'

banking community and set out clearly in a paper published by the Bank in April, 1981, But on the acceptance of deposits while the Bank's paper is clear without specific authorization as to how to assess the foreign currency exposure of a bank, it

> In the words of the 1981 paper: "The Bank will not set any formal limits on the size of positions, but will agree dealing position guidelines with each will take account of the institution's particular circumstances and expertise". A similar, individual, approach is explicit in the Bank's papers on Capital Adequacy and The Measurement of Liquidity.

The Bank's approach supervision was clearly set out by Mr Peter Cooke, the Head of Banking Supervision at the Bank, in an address in November, 1982. He said: "It is judgments about management which are at the heart of our supervisory process - not only from the evidence of the balance sheet and the profit performance but from face-to overhauling the techniques of face discussions with senior

signed to enable the supervisor to sit alongside management, sharing in his thinking. Although we have no wish to be directly involved in management we certainly regard it as of crucial importance to have a good understanding of the thrust of management in a

business". forgotten who has the last say in this style of supervision. As Mr Cooke put it: "I should make it clear... that, notwithstanding this emphasis, and in my view very proper emphasis, which we put on flexibility and letting managements manage, there will always be a point at which the supervisor must be the final arbiter. Hopefully, this only arises infrequently and when there is no alternative.

"It is also important that the arbiter's ruling should be readily accepted. That is why the Bank as an institution has always set out to be closely involved in the market.

"The professionals must be prepared to accept the referee's decision. There will always be

judgment, Capital adequacy is perhaps the most obvious is example. In this area, particularly, there will be occasions when the supervisor has to say "You may go no further".".
As already noted, this system

of regulation has gained the respect and acquiescence of the great majority of the banking community, But it would be naive to try to draw too many lessons from it for the current debate on the protection of investors and of depositors with building societies. The main worries of most of

the investment community about Professor Gower's proposals for a new Investor Protection Act are probably based on a fear that a heavy dirigiste hand from Whitehall will stifle the initiatives, business and prosperity of the investment community.
Indeed. Professor Gower

himself concedes in his Review the point that "inevitably there is a tension between market regulation he is proposing itself impairs market efficiency.

These same worries were felt and voiced - most keenly within the banking community when the Banking Act was under active discussion.

For the time being, such womes have been allayed. But the banking community is frighteningly aware that this is simply due to the manner in which the Bank of England exercises its supervisory authority.

Perhaps the clearest lesson to be drawn is that the acceptability, by the supervised, of banking supervision in the cause of deposit protection depends crucially on the good-will, flexibility and practicality

Other financial institutions facing the prospect of similar supervision in the cause of investor protection may well reflect on this lesson when commenting on Professor Gower's proposed roles for the Department of Trade, the Council for the Securities Industry and recognized selfregulatory agencies.

The author, a merchant banker, is a director of Singer & Friedlander. The issues of bank supervision are more fully discussed in his book The efficiency and investor protection which often pull in Management and Regulation of different directions", though he Banks, published by Macmillan

Charles Barker sets market launch date

Charles Barker, Britain's The company will almost oldest advertising agency, incertainly seek a full listing.

Yesterday it was announced chairman, Mr Antony Snow,

said yesterday. He was speaking after the first meeting of the reshaped Charles Barker board. The Barker decision to wait until 1986 - when its 1985 results will be available - is, apparently, against the wishes of the group's financial advisers who suggested an ealier flotation.

Mr Snow became chairman

last June after Mr Julian Wellesley was ousted. He and his colleagues take

the view that the company will be in a much stronger position to obtain the best possible share rating if it hangs on for a few oldest advertising agency, N W years and in the meantime Ayer, has a 10 per cent sharply improves its profits. shareholding.

that two former Charles Barker men, Mr Reg Valin and Mr Richard Pollen, were bringing their agency, Valin Pollen, to the USM.

Messrs Valin and Pollen established their company in 1979. Turnover is £8,250,000 and profits £275,000.

Charles Barker achieved pretax profits of £857,000 for 1982 and expects to have topped film last year. It is Britain's sixth largest agency with billings of £98m last year.

About 60 per cent of its shares are owned by City institutional investors. Staff own 30 per cent and America's

Bassett soars after bid

the liquorice allsorts confectionery company, rose on the stock market vesterday after the news of the £17.3m takeover bid from Avana Group.

The 2-for-7 share swop terms that Avana, the fast-growing Cardiff-based Marks & Spencer food supplier, is offering were formally condemned by Bas-sett's chief executive. Mr Harold Stokes as "unacceptable, unsolicited and unwelcome".

The terms values each Basset share at 144p. On the stock market the shares soared 67p in

The shares of Bassett Foods, first dealings to 166p in the liquorice allsorts confection—anticipation of a long takeover battle.

Avana's managing director, Dr John Randall, said: "We had hoped that after due consideration with its finiancial advisor, S G Warburg, Bassett would have been able to recommend the bid but obviously this is not

Bassett has experienced sevcral years of troubled trading, but in the half year to the end of last October its profits showed a

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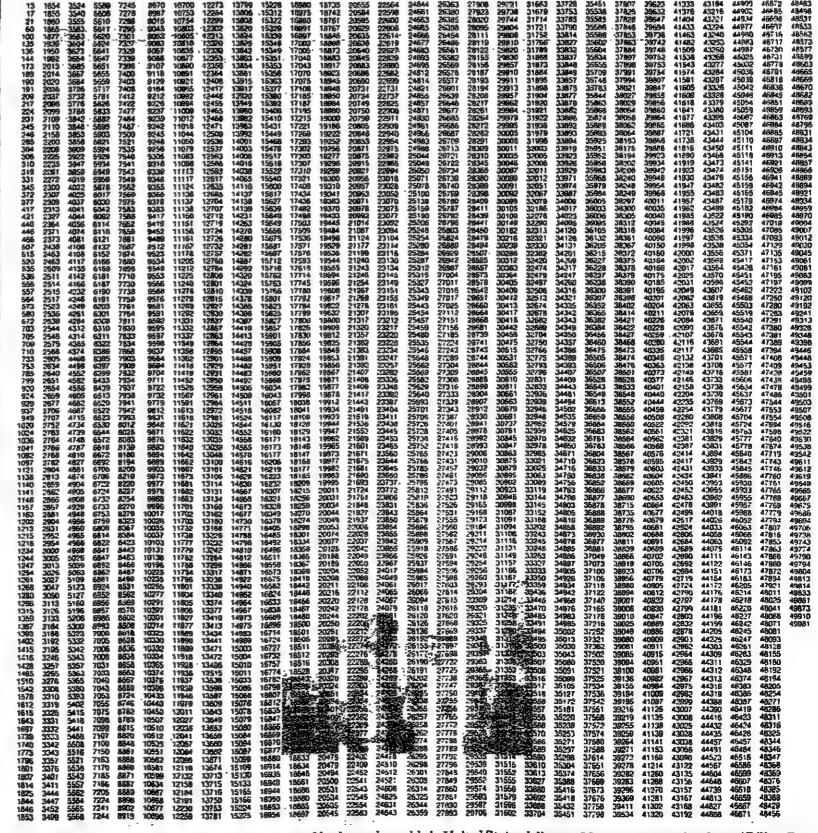
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Lookers profits jump to £1.4m

Lookers, garage group, is proposing a 1-for-10 scrip issue. A final dividend of 2.6p on increased capital will be paid making 4p (3.85) for the year to September 30. Pretax profits for the year

were £1.4 against £873,000 on turnover up from £86.5m to £134.7m. A tax charge of compared with a credit of £226,000. Extraodinary debits were

£227,000. Earning per share have increased from 14.8p to

base and profits for the first quarter of the current year show a healthy improvement over the

same period last year.

Overall, outlook for this year is for an improvement compared with the previous year, despite the competitive trading to 82p on the results.

conditions. The shares rose 2p The profits show a considerable increase even after paying the interest on the purchase

Civil Engineering & Building Contractors The Annual General Meeting of M J Glaeson Group plc was held on January 25th at North Cheam, Surrey.

Salient points from Mr. J. P. Gleeson's Statment:-Turnover has increased both in the United Kingdom and Overseas. Recent events have not disrupted the good progress which has been made on the important civil engineering contract

Of the record pre-tex profit of £3.1m, £800,000 is derived from rental income. The total dividend for the year is 4.50p per share,

an increase of 18.4% Present indications are that turnover in the current year will be similar to that achieved in 1982/83 and trading margins may improve when the Nigerian contract is completed. Non-trading sources of income should be maintained and another good year is in prospect for our residential estate development department. Copies of the Annual Report and Accounts are available from the Secretary, M. J. Gleeson Group plc, Haredon House, London Road, North Cheam, Surrey SM3 9BS.

The group is now operating The large increase in turnover from a much wider and stronger reflects the inclusion of Braid Group activities for a full year compared with months last year.

Profits from the dealerships increased despite fierce competition. In the parts benefited particularly from the increase efficiency and sales arising from the success of the

computerization programme. Profits from leasing and contract hire activities have reached a record high level and should continue to do wel despite falling-used car prices.

 Stakis: Chairman, Reo Stakis, says in his annual state ment: "Last January's rights issue has given the group renewed financial strength and the revaluation of our properties will how that our gearing levels are even lower than those indicated in these accounts. This sound financial platform gives your board additional confidence in its plans to expand all the activities

of the group. "We have made a most promising start to 1983/84 with all divisions trading ahead of last year. I look to the future with confidence and trust that these initial results presage another record year 1983/84."

@ Whatlings: results for the year to September 30, 1983. Figures in (£000). Final dividend 1.75p making 3p (2.5p) Turnover 25,031 (23,880). Group pretax profit 707 (693). Tax 52 (43). EPS 16,38p (16,25p). CCA profit before tax 616 (618) shares 77p, up 1p.

Collins will

find no

peace with

Andries

By Srikemer Sea Boxing Correspondent

The champion can be certain that from the moment the beil goes the Hackney fighter will give him no peace. He will come charging out, arms flailing, his feet scattering memories of many a nifty step that has thoated over the floor of the jam and treacle baroque of the Lyceum Ballroom down the Strand.

The two men may not be Reinie's

Collins has come a long way aince those days. He has beaten Trevor Caltouse and Antonio Harris tomake the Lonsdale Belt his own.

The Harris result was a good one and shows that Collins has learnt to

and snows that Collins has learnt to look after himself aginst a hitter, When the champion is going well he can look a high class boxer. He has an explosive right and if he can keep

his nerve and concentration he could floor Andries in the later rounds, but it will not be before be has been bulled across the ring

Tony Sibson has been dropped from the latest World Boxing Council middleweight ratings be-cause of his defeat at the hands of Don Lee, of the United States, in

Atlantic City recently. Lee is the newcomer in the list at No 10.

The Leicester boxer could be back in favour if he is successful in his

challenge for Louis Acaries's European title at the end of February in Paris. He could move into the Frenchman's ninth place.

Fighter of the month

Koji Kobayashi, of Japan, has been named the World Boxing Council's (WBC) fighter of the month for January after beating Frank Cedeno, of the Philippines, the champion, on January 18 to take the frameight title

Monte Carlo, (AFP) - Walter

driving an Audi Quattro, took a serious option on winning the Monte Carlo Rally for the fourth

time last night when they led home

surviving crews from the gruelling 1,680 kilometre common-run.

holding a 29 seconds advantage over Stig Blomqvist and Bjora

Cederbeg, their Swedish team-

Blomqvist could keep pace.

Between them the two Audidrivers notched up all of the fastest

times in the 16 special stages raced -

Rohri dominating eleven of them

The Quattros, able to unleash

their power and make the most of their four-wheel drive adhesion on

the twisting snow-swept trial roads, underlined their domination of the

opposition by placing their three works crews in the top three places

in all but three of the special speed

tests.

The West German firm, who enticed the Röhrl away from Lancia

at the end of last year, must be delighted to see the potential return

on that not inconsiderable invest-

and Blomqvist the other five.

The West Germans, winners here

Christian Geistdorfer,

two behind Mark Kaylor.

Derby get away from it all in order to come back to it with a clear head

County manager, has taken his first-team squad . 12 players to Scarborough for a two-day break to prepare for Saturday's FA Cup fourth-round home tie against Telford United, Despite oranding some of his players cheats after the club's fifth consecutive league defeat last Saturday, he has kept faith with the players who figured in the 3-0 defeat at Oldham.

"It is important that we get away from it all and try to work a few things out - perhaps the seaside wind will clear our heads." Taylor said. The trip has been privately sponsored for the hard-up club, who are hoping that Saturday's game will go on for financial reasons. o-inch layer of snow cloaks the Baseball ground.

Huddersfield Town have greater problems as they pre-pare for the visit of Notts County. Their pitch is under eight inches of snow and further falls woud make it impossible to clear in time to avoid a postponement to Tuesday. The second division club, who knocked out Queen's Park Rangers in the last round, have six players under treatment; of these only Sutton and Lillis are likely to be fit in time.

Bournemouth have two players under treatment but both should be fit for the trip to Middlesbrough. Thompson, a

Kendall has selection problems

Everton's manager. Howard Kendall, has selection problems after the Tuesday night 4-1 Milk Cup Defeat of Oxford United on

Tuesday night.
For the FA Cup match with Gillingham at Everton on Saturday he must decide whether to disrupt the team who have put Everton into their twentieth Cup seni-final and recall the forward Andy Gray, Gray missed last Saturday's defeat of Tomenham Hotspur with influenza, and the Oxford win because he is included and in the oxford wind cardier in ineligible, having played earlier in the competition for Wolverhamp-ton Wanderers. He will be available for the Gillingham tie but may have to be content with a substitute's shirt, unless Kendall reshuffles the team unbeaten in their last seven

effort against Oxford.

Everion's win earns them a semifinal match at Aston Villa, their
conquerors in the 1977 final. The
Villa manager. Tony Barton, was at
Goodison Park on Tuesday but left
early and missed the last two goals.

Cheeds and Hosth

Tobbed Rush, who had unty riouge
to beat.

Liverpool silenced Wednesday's
contingent by snatching a 38th
minute lead, almost inevitably
through Rush. Johnston met Lee's
corner with a header brilliantly early and missed the last two goals.

Richardson, Sheedy and Heath
put Everton into a 3-0 lead before
Hinshelwood scored for Oxford.

Sharp hit a fourth goal for Everton.

Preston could lose their acting manager. Alan Kelly, unless they offer him a permanent contract. Kelly stepped up just before Christmas after the departure of Gordon Lee but his Deepdale coaching contract expires at the end

Tuesday's results

Milk CLP: Fifth round ceptage Eventor 4, Oxford United 1, THIRD DIVISION Postponed:

LEAGUE: Premier divisions n 3. Hendon 0. First divisions h 1. Chesham 1: Tibury 0, Herdord A. Matropolitan Police 1. Poesponed: v Feithern, Clepton v Maldanhead. eathernsad v Epsom. SOUTHERN LEAGUE Premier divisions

Dartford 3, Chemistord 6. ALLIANCE PREMIER LEAGUE: Trowbridge 1, L COMBINATION: Chelses 3, Waterd 4, Reading 0; Queen's Park 5, Chariton 0. Postponed: M v Bristol Rovers; Brighton v

Swansea.
LONDON SERROR CUP: First round: Leyton-Wingste 1, Hampton 0; Waithamstow Avenue 2, Bishops Stordord 1; Leytonstone and Blord 2, Feithern 1 (ant). Postporatic Barking v Barnes: Boreham Wood v Sutton United.
SURREY SENIOR CUP: First round: Confethern Casuels 0, Kingstonian 1,
MIDDLESEX SENIOR CUP: Second round: Wembley 1, Emiliat 1,

MIDDLESEX SENIOR CUP: Second round: Wembley 1, Emiliat 1,

a All FA Trophy, Northern Premer League and Central League matches postponed.



Taylor: holiday by the sea

forward, and La Ronde. defender, have been pencilled in for the game, as has Williams in midfield, who is likely to return after injury. Bournemouth will wait until after a referec's inspection of the pitch tomor-row morning before travelling. All but a handful of 600 special train tickets had been sold; other supporters will travel north by coach and plane.

Allan Clarke has taken his West Bromwich Albion. Heavy snow has hampered the given a 50-50 chance. third division club's training schedule this week and the manager has staged the last few

The boxing ability of Tom Collins, of Lends, will be sorely tested tonight. For the British lightheavy-weight champion defends his title against Dennis Andries, of Hackney, a man who believes implicitly in the teaching that a challenger must go looking for his hitle – even if Andries has fallen flat on his face twice trying to live up to that precept.

The champion can be pertain that "It's not ideal but at least we are able to get in some work.
Clarke said. He will not
announce his side until just
before the match.

Sam Ellis, the Blackpool manager, has sentenced his players to strict training for their tie at Oxford. His squad their use at Oxford. His squad have been putting in time at the Kirkham Open Prison gymnasium because their own training ground is frozen hard. The squad is depleted through suspensions and injuries and Ellis is not prepared to risk further mishaps.

Norwich City left the Norfolk snow last night for outdoor training at Bisham Abbey before their tie at Tottenham. The party included Watson, the captain, who looks likely to return to the defence after injury. He missed last Saturday's 3-0 defeat at Nottingham Forest because of concussion,

Cross, the Shewsbury de-fender whose goal helped them beat ipswich Town two years ago, has recovered from a knee injury and will play in a repeat tie on Saturday. Griffin, a Scunthorpe squad back to central defender, has not school to prepare for their visit trained this week. He has damaged a calf muscle and is

Mariner, who missed Ipswich's last two games with

Wednesday woe as Rush cuts loose

Sheffield Wednesday0 The Milk Cup, the game's second greatest leveller, proved just that as the holders levelled their second division challengers in this fifthround replay at Anfield last night. Wednesday struck an important psychological blow when Lyons, the former Everton captain won the toss

and made Liverpool attack their favoured Kop end in the first half. Within seconds of the start Liverpool's captain, Sourcess, was felled in a collision with Pearson and needed lengthy attention before being able to continue. Kennedy's error should have given Wednesday a third minute lead but Bannister's low cross was missed in front of goal

games.

Kendall hinted at his thinking narrowly over and minutes later a when he said: "It was a superb team effort against Oxford.

Nicol headed Kush's cross narrowly over and minutes later a perfectly timed tackle by Smith robbed Rush, who had only Hodge

saved by Hodge but Rush, at full

Lee tested Hodge with a long-range shot, which the Wednesday goalkeeper held at the second attempt, Liverpool were forced on the defensive as the second division side pressed forward in search of an

Liverpool cut short Wednesday's revival hopes with a second goal through Robinson in the seventyseconed minute. Robinson took the ball past Madden and carefully picked his spot before beating

Grobbelsar saved a powerful header from Banister but Liverpool broke almost immediately to score a third goal in the 84th minute through Rush. When Robinson headed down Neal's free kick Rush beat Hodge with a low shot into the right-hand corner.

Hudson goes back to Stoke on month's loan

international midfield player, has signed for Stoke on a month's loan. He could make his first division return on Saturday against Arsenal - one of his former

ciubs.

Bill Asprey, Stoke's manager, travelled to London yesterday afternoon to sort out Huston's loan afternoon to sort out Hudson's loan with the Chelsea manager, John Neal. Hudson, nged 33, in his second spell with Chelsea made over 100 league appearances in a three-year spell in the mid 70's with Stoke. He then spent a season at Highbury, before leaving Britain to play in North America. play in North America.

Hudson has been unable to get into Chelsea's promotion chasing regularly in the reserves, and if he proves a success at Stoke it could lead to a long term deal.

Oxford United and Bournemouth, who have been in the Cup headlines this winter, have been given home ties in the League's new Associate Members Cup for third and fourth division clubs. Oxford play Swindon Town, and Bourne-mouth play Aldershot. The first round will be played in the week



Hudson: on trial

PRST ROUND DRAW: stockport County v Creves Alexandria: Bury v Wigar; Rochdale v Preston North End: Tranmere Rovers v Heilfax Town; Crester v Blackpoot Burnley v Ballaco Wanderens; Rotherham United v Shaffield United; Bradford v Hartlepoot; Southorpe United v Chesterfeed; York City v Hall City; Lincoln City v Doncaster Rovers; Manefield Town v Derlington; Walself v Northampton Town; Hersford United v Port Vale; Washam v Peterborough United v Oxford United V Swindom Town; Exister City v Bristol City; Plymouth Argyle v Torquey United; Newport County v Bristol Rovers; Breatford v Orlen; Southend United v Rovers; Breatford v Orlen; Southend United v Rovers; Breatford v Chen; Southend United v Rovers; Breatford v Chen; Southend United v Riseding; Colchester United v Wilmbledon; Millwell v Gillingham; Bourne-mouth v Aldershot.

No room for romance in Scottish Cup

Wee Rangers are only in it for the money these days

The romanticist who believes the third round ties of the Scottich Cap will present the unfashionable clubs with their best chance for years of upsetting the high and mighty, is likely to be disappointed. It may be true that opportunity

knocks as seldom before, for the smaller clubs of the second division and the non-league survivors from luverness, as they face up to their more renowned rivals in the premier The 10 clubs who comprise the

Inc 10 clubs who comprise the leading division have, astonishingly, avoided each other in the 16 ties, and the same number involving premier and second division teams, one could be forgiven for feeling a Bournemouth or a Walsall, the recent giant-killers of England, is sure to emerge

recent game-sure to emerge. In Scotland, however, the stately progress of the fashionable in the Scotlish Cup is seldom joited by an really, the little ans ar And, really, the little 'ens

Even in Berwick, the home of the Even in Betwick, the home of the wee Rangers, who became Scotland's most celebrated cup heroes with the defeat of their mighty namesakes of Glasgow in 1967, it is the thought of what the invasion of visiting supporters will spend at the turnstiles that has brought the most joy in the purlicus of homely Shieffield Park.

"You have to be realistic these days," says the player-manager, Eric Tait, who, as a schoolboy danced with glee on the terracings on that never-to-be-forgotten day, n that never-to-be-forgotten day, when Berwick beat Rangers in

Cup matches in danger

The wintry conditions maycause weeks of postponements, many of Saturday's cup ties now look certain to be off. To complicate matters further, the League Cup semi-final first leg matches between Aberdeen United and Rangers, are scheduled for next Wednesday.

With undersoil heating at only Ibrox Park, Easter Road and Habden Park, just two cup matches are certain to go ahead: Rangers v Dunfermline and Hiberian v East

Now the overjoyed fan is the realistic force behind the club. "I did a wee jig when I beard we had drawn Celtic, of course," he said. "But that was because of the draw. You must be honest and think in financial terms first, and when a little club like ours gets into the third round draw along with the big boys, it is either Celtic or Rangers you're after. Celtic fans mean a healthy return at the turnstiles. This will be a godsend to us, especially after the let-down of our second round the with Peterhead, about as far north as we in the south could travel, when our share of the gate was £262. That just about covered the cost of the team bus for the weekend."

The feeling persists that Berwick might be even happier with a draw and a replay at Parkhead, than a win. There would be a splendid

crowd, and much-needed money replenish the Shielfield coffers. Certainly, this year's competition provides a rich barvest. For instance, the team which goes all the way to the linal and takes the trophy will collect a total of £25,200.

These glittering prizes, however may have assisted the erosion of surprise in the Scottish Cup. Money as signalled the end of what we used to call "typical cup-tie football".

Rough play is out in the Scottish Cup, bacause offenders are bard hit, with clubs losing 10 per cent of their cup bonus for every booking, and 20 per cent for every player ordered off. Add to that, the fact that even the smallest club is so well drilled that it can match big brother in defensive can match big brother in defensive strategy, and may feel that "getting a result" is much more satisfying than giving high and mighty opponents a bloddy nose, and it is safe bet that few of the leading clubs will on Saturday night be left with sinking feling, experienced by Manchester United and Arsenal.

St. Mitten may be in deaser at

Manchester United and Arsenal.

St Mirren may be in danger at
Meadowbank, as the home club
have gained a reputation for
achieving satisfying results against
opposition thought to be
superior, and the lockless St
Johnstone will have to fight fierrely
analysis on Abstraction which as against an Airdrie side which as been infected with the enthusiasm of their new manger, Ally MacLeod, again as boyant and optimistic as he was before the trauma of Argentins, but the class and determination mined in the premier division should

Hugh Taylor | HOCKEY: Territorial metals (women): Wast v

World Cup men accused Lyons (AFP) - Four French TENNIS: Bjorn Borg the five-times World Cup footballers appeared in Wimbledon champion from Sweden court here yesterday accused of who retired two years ago. who retired two years ago, announced yesterday that he will play a number of minor tourna-

IN BRIEF

accepting illegal payments between 1977 and 1981 while playing for the first division club Saint Etienne. Jean-Francois Larios, Bernard Lacombe, Christian Lopez and

Gerard Janvion joined six former club directors or officials facing charges arising from the Saint Etienne "slush fund scandal." which could result in heavy fines or Two officials, former chairman Roger Rocher and his deputy Louis Arnaud, are in jail awaiting their

Furonean Footballer of the Year, Michel Platini, the former Saint Etienne player now with Javentus, was unable to attend court yesterday, but Judge Patrick Desmure said he still wanted to see

The four who did turn up were released on bail after brief hearings.
Another four former Saint
Etienne players, Nogues, Farizon,
Zimako and the Argentine, Pizzza,
are due in court today.

HANDBALL: EK '82, last year's British champions, have retained their Scottish league title with a 19-13 defeat of Glasgow University. The university side are al certain of being runners-up.

FOOTBALL

OTHER SPORT

TODAY'S FIXTURES

BOXING: British Both-leavyweight champion-ship: Tom Collis v Dennis Andries (st Lypeum). SNOCKER: Benson and Hodges Masters (st Wembley Conference Centre, 2.0 and 7.30; SQUASSI RACKETS: British smiter-23; returnstreamini, (at Winthley South Centre.) Scotland (et Bishopbriggs). TABLE TENNIS: English open chemplonships (at the Brighton Centre, \$0 and 7.0). RACKETS: Army charepronables (at Outen's

TENNIS: NOAH'S NEW LOOK REVEALED



WOMEN'S GOLF

Foursomes let the side down

The British women's teams had a much better 1983 in singles than in foursomes, the Brinsh Curtis Cap captain, Diane Bailey, told the Ladies' Guif Union annual meeting in Edinburgh yesterday.

At the Commonwealth tourns-

ment in Canada and the Vagliano Trophy at Woodhall Spa, the singles players picked up 19½ points out of a possible 28. In foursomes, however, the record was a paltry four points out of 14.

After the meeting, Mrs Bailey, the former British international who will captain the home side in the Curtis Cup at Muirfield on June 8 and 9. spoke of where she felt things had gone wrong last season. "Our girls tended to stop playing their own game when it came to foursomes." she said. "There was too much conferring over individual shots and, inevitably, a shedding of

responsibility."
Margo Bauer, the retiring chairman of the LGU, paid tribute to the behaviour of British team members both at home and abroad: "Seing

was completed by the third overall place held by Hannu Mikkola of Finland, their reigning world champion and Arne Hertz, of

Sweden Mikkola took fewer risks

than his team-mates and trailed the

leaders by more than six and a half

minutes. He remained eleven minutes clear of Audi's closest rival

in a privately-entered Renault 5 turbo driven by Jean-Luc Therier and Michel Vial of France.

The jovial Therier revelled in the conditions and delighted the

thousands of spectators with some

The gloom in the Lancis camp was unrelenting. Their rally machines, purpose-built for driven and their rally machines.

conditions, were never able to

Lancia's leading Finnish crew of Markku Alen and Illka Kivimaki

produced some remarkable times as

the time lost after their crash on the

the time lost after their crash on the Burzet run Tuesday night.

STANDINGS: 1. W Rörf and C Getationer (VG) Audi Querro Str 42rm 17667: 2. S Bomquast and B Caderberg (Swel) Audi Querro at 28ec; 3. H Mildola (Fin) and A Hertz (Swel) Audi Querro at Britin 55ac; 4. H. Toreier and M Vali (Fin) Femalt 6 Turbo at 18:00; 5. B Seby and J-M Andrie (Fin) Femalt 5 Turbo at 20:57: 6. A Sectors and M Perissinot (It Lancie Ray at 24:30; 7. B Demiche and A Mahe (Fr) Audi Querro 80 at 27:50; 8. J-C Andrive (Fr) and S Creeto (R) Lancie Ray at 32:15.

ments this year "for fun and for keeping in shape".

ATHLETICS: Cameron Sharp

Britain's No.2 sprinter, has pulled out of the indoor athletics inter-

national against East Germany at RAF Conford next Wednesday,

February I.

He has had problems with his

knees since a car accident after Christmas and has been advised by

his doctors to rest. His place is taken by Errol Roofe of Epsom.

RUGBY: Ireland's home inter-national against Scotland on March

wealth Games in Brisbane, is unbeaten after six professional

bey tried to make up for some of

spectacular drives.

match their opponents

MOTOR RALLYING

Röhrl dominates speed

tests to snatch lead

what is happening in other games, rugby, football and tennis to name but three, makes me appreciate the dignity with which our girls play." Penny Taylor, who up unit now has been in charge of rules and

regulations, takes over from Mrs Bauer as chairman, and it was further announced yesterday that Alison McIntosh, an official with the PGA, is the LGU's new general

New York (AP) - The American
Professional Golf Association tour
begins its 35th season tomorrow
with 38 events and a record £5½m The first tournament of the season is the Mazda Classic of Deer Creek, which will be held in Deerfield Beach, Florida. For the

first time, the LPGA had to hold a qualifying session to get the field down to the maximum of 141 professionals and three amateurs.

RUGBY LEAGUE

Leeds agree

to further

sponsorship

By Keith Macklin

Leeds, winners of the John Player

trophy earlier this month, are to

continue their lucrative association

with the brewers, McEwan Youngo

for a further three years. The sponsorship, worth a minimum of

£70,000, covers jersey advertising social club provisions, programme

advertising and the provision of player of the month awards

Preparations are being made to ensure that Sunday's derby game against Wakefield Trinity goes ahead despite the snows. Joe Wareham, the Headingley general manager, said that the electric

wiring under the pitch had been switched on, and by the weekend, if

there were no more prodigious snowfalls, the ground should be ready for the Wakefield game. The south stand terracing will be cleared.

and with grandstand and puddock facilities, a crowd of 16,000 can be

accommodated, mostly

throughout the Leeds teams.

John Laupheimer, LPGA com-missioner, said yesterday that be expected qualifying to be necessary "10 to 15 times during the year"

because of the large number of golfers trying to enter.

The field for the Deer Creek tournament will include 1983 player of the year Patty Sheehan, defending champion Pat Bradley, the Mazda LPGA series winner in 1983, and new mother Nancy Lopez, returning to the tour after a six month break.

Miss Sheehan, 27, won four Miss Sheeban, 27, won four tournaments, including the LPGA

tournaments, including the LPGA championaship, last year and finished second on the money winnings list to Joanne Carner, with £167,000. In her three years on the tour, she has won eight tournaments. Miss Bradley, 32, also won four tournaments last year.

Nancy Lopez, 27, and her husband, Houston Astros baseball player Ray Knight, became parents on November 7 when their daughter Ashley Marie was born. Miss Lopez

Ashley Marie was born. Miss Lopez hasu't played in a tournament since withdrawing in the second round of the Peter Jackson classic at Montreal in July, but she still won two tournaments and £61,000 last * * * SNOOKER

Huge break by Stevens finishes Taylor off

By Sydney Friskin

Kirk Stevens of Canada completed a 5-1 victory over David Taylor with a superb break of 105. the highest to far, in the Benson and hedra Masters tournament at Wembley yesterday. Stevens, who put himself in the quarter-final round, reached the 100 mark in the sixth frame by taking the last red and following up with the blue from long range. The break ended, however, with an unsuccessful shot on the yollow.

To cound off a comewhat one-sided match, both players took part in an exhibition frame after which Taylor said: "I had a cue rebutted and it was so slippery that I had no confidence in it. I can obviously play better with another one. I could scarcely pot a ball and that eventually destroyed me".

With Taylor struggling to find his touch. Stevens each proper a find his

scarcely pot a ball and that eventually destroyed me".

With Taylor struggling to find his touch. Stevens easily won the first two frames. Taylor, who was leading 37-27 in the second frame, misfired on the last red, leaving it to Stevens, who took it, followed up with the pink and ponted all the colours except the black.

Taylor led 43-11 in the third frame but even this position proved insecure. Stevens recovering to win

colours from the brown to the black enabled Taylor, who had earlier fluxed the yellow, to cut the lead to 3-1 at the interval.

3-1 at the interval.

Tuesday evening's match, in which Alex Higgins defeated Doug Mountjoy 5-2, was watched by a crowd of 2,580 who loved every

In his match against Mountjoy, Higgins was uncertain at the start and went deeper in error as the more industrious Mountjoy gath-ered precious points. He made a sparkling break of 100 in the second ment at that stage.

frame, the highest in the tourna-Higgins again proved his capacity to pull himself out of trouble by winning the fourth frame which most people have thought was in Mountjoy's pocket when the Welshman led 68-20 with all the redsout of the way. Higgins who needed two sucokers, ended a brilliant manocuve by potting every colour from the green to the black to

win by one point and level the scores at 2-2. After the interval, Higgins delighted his supporters with his skill and accuracy, winning the fifth frame with a clearance break of 55 and romping through the sixth with breaks of 32 and 43. Mountjoy, who could do little to contain Higginus, had his chance in the seventh frame but lost it when he failed on the pink, which was all Higgins needed to finish the match.

FIRST ROUND: (Canada) bt David Taylor (Manchester) 5-1. Frame scores (Servera first): 85-9, 54-97, 74-43, 49-80, 63-27, 105-0, Tuesday's matche A Figgins (Alenchester) bt D Mourejoy (Ebbe Veie) 5-2, Frame scores (Figgin first): 14-110, 64-46, 5-118, 63-68, 117-4, 65-12, 46-50.
TODAY MATCHES: Quarter-Strains J Spencer V T Griffiths - (2:30): A Higgins v T Knowles (7:30).

BOBSLEIGH

Soviet four-man sledge is ruled out by jury

The Russians had their first big setback in the European bobsleigh but neither is it completely open. if they want to use it at next month's Olympic Games in Sarajevo.

complete the work before Saturday's four-man event here. But last night it was unclear whether, if that was not possible, they would still be allowed to use the sledge in this weekend's championship race. The president of the jury here is

the FIBT's technical adviser, Gion Caviezei, the former Swiss cham-

Three London amateur team will play at home in the first round of the amateur cup, the BARLA
(British Amateur Rugby League
Association) Whithread trophy.
London Colonials receive Clayton,
Peckham Invicta entertain St Helens Boilermakers, and Ealing play Hudderfield St Joseph's.

The national administrator of BARLA, Maurice Oldroyd, said:

The southern league's playing standards have increased considerstandards have increased considerably in recent years, and they are optimistic of at least one club making the second round.

Ronnie Duane, the Warrington centre, has been passed fit to take his place in the Great Britain side for the Test parties. for the Test match against France in Avignon on Sanday. Duane has satisfied the coach, Frank Myler, that he has recovered from damaged

onee ligaments. Dellery Hanley, the Bradford Northern balf back, and Barrow scrum half David Cairus are the halfway leaders in the Greenhall Whitley Rugby League player of the year awards for the first and second divisions represented. divisions respectively.

HOCKEY

Bristol have an easy path to semi-final

national against Scotland on March 3 will be sponsored by Digital Computers. This is the first time one of Ireland's home rugby internationals has been sponsored and the Irish Rugby Football Union will recieive £30,000.

BOXING: Caris Pyatt, the promising 21-year-old Leicerter welterweight, will meet Cris Gilpin of Telford, a leading contender for the British tide, over ten rounds on March 15. The bout is at Granby Hall, Leicester. Pyatt, a gold medallist at the 1982 Commonwealth Games in Brisbene, is Bristol became the first team to reach the semi-final of the Universities' Athletic Union championship yesterday by beating University College, London 4–0 at Crystal Palace (Sydney Friskin writes). The winners led 3–0 at half-time with goals by Carson (short corner). Allan and Wilshire (penalty stroke). (penalty stroke). Elgar completing the tally in the second half. Bristol will meet either Hull or

Durham is the semi-finals, which are expected to be played on February & Hull's match against Durham was postponed yesterday because of bad weather, so, too, were the other quarter-finals: Nottingham v Manchester and Loughborough v Birmingham. The final has been fixed for February 29 at Birmingham.

From Chris Moore, Igis

the jury ruled that their new four-man sledge did not comply exactly with the regulations laid down by the sport's governing body, the Federation of International Bob-sleigh and Toboganning. The Russians have been told they must make two adjustments to the sledge The have undertaken to try to

pion, who is also coach to the British Olympic team. Announcing the jury's ruling yesterday, he told Before every competition each

sledge is measured to ensure that it conforms to the rules governing length and width. The new Russian sledge is not totally open at the back, as it stipulates in the rules. It is built up so that it comes halfway
up the brakeman's back.

and we had no alternative but to instruct the Russians that the height at the back must be reduced by 30 oentimetres. What was the Russian reaction to

the jury's decision? "They were a bit surprised and not altogether happy about it", Caviczel said. "But ti accepted the ruling". When approached, the Soviet team manager, Poland Upatnieks, com-mented: "The jury is being very

The Soviet setback came less than 24 hours after an announcement from the FIBT president. Klaus Cotter, that standardization of sledges is on the cards after the

CRESTA RUN

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SQUASH RACKETS

Tough tests for Britons

Jamie Hickon, the British under-23 closed champipon, and Christy Willstrop, the former British under-23 closed champion, face significant tests in the British under-23 open at ability to convert domestic success into international achievement (Richard Eaton writes). Richmond whose creative talent is

not in question bit whose tempera-ment sometimes is, has a semi-final against the holder from Pakistan. Sohail Qaiser, a small, hard-hitting man good enough to beat England's No 3, Geoff Williams, in straight games in the Pakistan Open before

Willstrop, a 20-year-old Yorkshi-reman whose doubt is in physical fitness, nevertheless had the opportunity to use yesterday's rest day to savour his best win of the season the bley today of their fitness and by to convert domestic success international achievement sweden, Fredrik Johnsson. He may need that to bolster his confidence for an unappetizing encounter with Stuart Davenport, who has improved so much since Willistrop beat him 18 months ago that he is now world No 5, world open semi-fina-list, and the firmest of favourites to regain the title he won two years ago. Hickox harbours more realistic

hopes against Qaiser.

FOR THE RECORD

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UNIVERSITY BATCH: London 0, Cambridge 1. POOTBALL COMBRINATION: Bristol Rovers 1. Southampton 5. The following matches, due to be played yesterday, were postponed or cancelled because of bad wenther: SCOTTISM CUP: Second round, econd replay: Striling Albon v Arbroath (rearranged far next Monday). AlliaNCE LEAGUE: Bob Lerd Trophy: third round, first leg: Scarborough v Frickley. MORTHERN PREMISER LEAGUE: Mossley v Worksop, Sass Cup, first round: second leg: Horwich v Morocarnibe. CENTRAL LEAGUE: First division: Stackburn v Morocarnibe. CENTRAL LEAGUE: First division: Stackburn v berby, Botton v Manchester United; Sneffred Urited v Newcastic, Nottingham Forest v Liverpoot. Sunderland v West Bromwich Albion, Second division: Barnsley v Manchester Chy: Port Valle v Rotherhem.
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ICE HOCKEY

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lead 2-0 in four-match series. CYCLING

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Furniture

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calls halt

to sale

An American move to acquire a potential Olympic medal-winning horse from Britain has been balted

by a sponsorship deal, worth more than £70,000. Robert Lemieux, a

than £70,000. Robert Lemicux, a three-day event rider, from Fren-sham, Surrey, was on the point of selling the Gamesmaster, an eight-year-old gelding, to an American rider planning to compete in the Los Angles Olympic Games.

The Manchester-based farmiture

firm, Boardmans intervened, and now Lemicux has been guaranteed the £40,000 he would have received

from the sale, plus one year's expenses for the house and a second

expenses for the nonse and a second string called Coronet.

Lemienz, son of High Court judge, is pinning his hopes on caining selection to the British Olympic squad, with a good performance at the Badminton horse trials in April. "I hope I can repay the fathers response how but it

trials in April." I hope I can repay
the faith my sponsors have put in
me, by doing well enough to get on
the the Olympic short list", he said.
"Obviously, the Americans think
the horse has enough ability to get
into their team, and I hope I can
show how good he really is".

Last season, in his first year in
advanced classes, The Gamesmaster
was placed fifth at Brigstick, first at
Rushall, and first at Bramham.

TABLE TENNIS

All change

as Popova

pops over

By a Special Correspondent.

Valentina Popova, the 1980 European champion, embarrassed the organizers of the Norwich Union English Open Championships by making a surprise journey from Moscow for the biennial event that begins at the Brighton Centre today. Problems of communication with the Russians have not been unknown in the mast but they usually concern

in the past but they usually concern doubt about expected arrivals. This time the English Open finds itself in the absurd situation of having the player who has arguably the best

chance of winning the competition on the premises but not is the draw. The most obvious solution would be to slot Miss Popova into the top-

seeded position coincidentally vacated last week by the withdrawal through injury of the European champion, Bettine Vriesekoop, The problem here is in avoiding actimony from the Dutch, who were represented and their players to

expecting another of their players to take her place.

take her place.

All this is of algnificance for England's champion, Karea Witt, having her best season despite a persistent back injury and seeded lifth in the top quarter. Miss Witt saw a specialist last week after which she prosounced herself "70 per cent unlikely to play". But she was on her way to Brighton yesterday and the inclusion of the Russians would prove an unexpected obstacle to her reaching a semi-final against Yoshiko Shimanchi, of Japan, who won the Cleveland Open

Japan, who won the Cleveland Open

Meanwhile the atmosphere of absurdity has been heightened through Carl Prean's refusal to play

in the event because of the use of the

announcement came too late for the

on Sunday.

Schweppes possible **switches** stables

By Phil McLennan

Eastern Line, one of the most promising young hurdlers of two seasons ago, has changed stables from Mercy Rimell to David Nicholson and may now be aimed at the Schweppes Gold Trophy at Newbury on February II. Mrs Rimeli stated the six-year-old was an unlikely Schewopes runner when the weights were announced a fortnight ago but Nicholson is keen that the son of High Line should take his chance.

"The owner contacted me ten days ago and asked if I would take the horse," Nicholson said yesterday. "I shall run him in the Bishops Cleeve Hurdle at Cheltenham on Saturday and if he goes well there and appears well handicapped at Newbury, then we'll let him run."

Eastern Line, allotted 95t 5lb in the Schweppes, was unbeaten in four races in the 1981-82 season but did not run for 21 months after the last of those victories in April, 1982. He reappeared in a competitive handicap at Haydock early this month and although he finished last of nine, he ran well for a long way.

The Bishops Cleeve Hurdle is a conditions event over 21's miles in which Nicholson also runs Goldspun. Peter Scudamore, the stable jockey, will ride Goldspun with Niall Madden on Eastern Line. Ironically, Gaye Chance, trained by Mrs Rimell, is a possible opponent for the two Nicholson horses. Gave Chance has failed to live up to cractions over fences and was a disappointing fourth to The Mighty Mac, beaten 36 lengths, on his latest outing in the SGB Chase at Ascot in

Nicholson saddles Voice of Nicholson saddles Voice of Progress, one of the chasing recent seasonal bow at Notting-discoveries of the season, in the Steel Plate and Sections Young Chasers qualifier. The six-year-old has won his four races over fences by a total of 67 lengths and several of the horses be has beaten, notably Duke of Milan, have sone on to win 1981 and a faller at Becher's Duke of Milan, have gone on to win impressively themselves. On his latest run at Cheltenham three weeks ago, Voice of Progress beat First Glance by 25 lengths in a match and even that form was made to look good when First Glance won at Kempton on Saturday. at Kempton on Saturday.

All being well, Voice of Progress is a definite runner at the Chehenham Festival in March but Nicholson is undecided whether to run him in the Arkle Trophy over two miles or the Sun Alliance Chase over three. "The Sun Alliance is an exceptionally difficult race to win and so I'm bringing him back to two miles on Saturday to see how he fares. If it comes up heavy in March, the shorter race may just suit him better. The last three races won by Voice of Progress have all been over 212 miles. Nicholson certainly has a trong hand in the novice chase department as he also has the highly-rated Gambir, himself unbeaten in two outings over fences.

Apart from having to adjust to Apart from having to adjust to the shorter trip, Voice of Progress could well face his toughest test to date on Saturday with B and K Emperor, Young Lover and Golden Friend among his possible rivals. Nicholson will also be strongly represented in the novice hurdle events with Rouspeter and Lucky Find in the Winchcombe Hurdle and Esha Sounder in the Hale and Echo Sounder in the Haig Whisky qualifier.

Great light has been reduced from 16-1 to 14-1 by Esal Bookmakers for the Scwheppes Gold Trophy after laying a series of hig hets including one of £15,000 to £000. Very Promising, second to Janus at Kempton on Saturday, has been well backed with Ladbrokes, who now offer 10-1.

First acceptors

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6-10-8, Donegal Prince 8-10-6, Cardinal Prover
7-10-6, Desert Hern 10-10-5, Path Of Peace
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7 Freily 6-8-13, Men in The Middle 8-8-10.
Mossy Moora 8-9-9, Return 10 Power 5-8-6,
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Grit 4-8-0, Rudgeffeld 6-7-13, Readmarce 6-7-13,
Deviscale 5-7-6. To be run at Newbury,
February 11.

Record Grand National entry may mean ballot

the second of th

A Grand National ballot second time round last year. looks likely for the first time following yesterday's news of a plans at the moment to train record entry of 141 for this Spartan Missile for the year's race, sponsored by National. "Originally he wasn't Scagrams, at Aintree on March 31. New conditions qualify race but then I discovered that houses who have more acceptance." horses who have won a chase because he had won the anywhere in the world since the Betterton Chase at Newbury, he end of the 1980-81 season, although the former Frenchtrained horse, Jivago De Neuvy, there was very little else to go is the only foreign contender.

The previous requirement was for a horse to have won a away from running in a hunter chase valued at £3,500 or more. chase. If we have a few hunter The new rules also include the reduction of the safety limit from 50 to 40 runners. A ballot, f required, would operate from the bottom of the handicap, making it unlikely that any of the leading challengers would be affected.

Jenny Pitman is delighted with the progress of Corbiere, last year's winner, who ran his heart out under a big weight against Last Suspect at Chepstow on Tuesday. She said: He's in great form considering I was unable to get a gallop into him all last week when we were frozen." Her other national hope is Bueche Giorod, who will be ridden in all his preparatory races by her son Mark, who is the stable's amateur. "Mark will hunt and point-to-point him before Liverpool," she said.

Up in Leicestersbire, Grittar, was delighted with Grittar's change of heart." recent seasonal bow at Notting-ham and hopes to get another four races into him before the Champion now has a realistic big day. Nicky Henderson's winning chance of winning the four entries include Spartan race as a trainer with King Missile, runner-up to Aldaniti Spruce, the mount of Joy in 1981 and a faller at Becher's Carrier. Champion is certainly

However, Henderson has no was not eligible to run in the Liverpool Foxhunters, and

for," Henderson said.
"He is two to three weeks

Outlook bleak There will be no racing in Britain today for the second day running and prospects for the rest of the week are not bright. Huntingdon was called off yesterday morning was called off yesterday morning because of frost and snow and Tanntou's meeting was abandoned yesterday afternoon because the course is waterlooged. The meeting at Fairyhouse in Ireland, held over from yesterday to today, is subject to a 7ant inspection.

Tomorrow's meeting at Doncaster hinges on an Sam inspection today. There is still snow on the course and further fails were forecast last night. Tomorrow's other meeting at Ayr was abandoned yesterday and there will be a 4.30 inspection this afternoon regarding prospects for Saturday. The one realistic hope is Saturday's meeting at Cheltenham

chase wins under out belts the 1982 winner, is confined to before Aintree, and he's in good 20-1 I roadwork as the gallops are form, then we might - and it's 1 bar. covered in snow. Frank Gilman an enormous might - have a

where frost appears the only worry.



A new form of protection (above) has been devised for National Hunt jockeys (Christopher Goulding writes). The garment, which weighs about 14lbs, is made up from a strong shirt which has the collar and sleeves removed. Sections of foam are sewn on the front and back, and on the shirt tail, so that the base of the spine and kidneys, which often catch the stray hoof when a jockey is floored, are protected. Jockeys fall, on average, about one ride in ten. (Photograph: Eddie Byrne)

3.15 WIDGEON CHASE (handicap: £3,000: 3m) (14)

....Mr J Fowk

Fairyhouse

GOING: good (7am inspection) Tote: double 3.15, 4.15. Jackpot: 2.45, 3.15, 3.45, 4.15. 1.45 FAIRYHOUSE EBF HURDLE (maiden: mares: C650: 2m 20 (22 runners)

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2.15 TEAL HURDLE (Handicap: £580: 2m 2l) (17)

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5 WIDGEON CHASE (handicap: £3,000.

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102 BEECH KING P Woods 10-11-0

217 DOUBTFLL VENTURE P Mulies 8-11-10

103 SLENT MEMBER P Hughes 8-10-12

101 DAWSON PRINCE W ROONS 8-10-11

101 PORTURE SEENER J COX 9-10-11

104 SMARTSDE E Harty 9-10-5

428 BEATON BOY W ROONS 9-10-3

227 POOT STICK P Mulies 8-10-0

128 POOT STICK P Mulies 8-10-0

139 SKIRIN ANSWEY, 9-2 BOOCH KING, 5 STEDIERS PRINCE W ROONS 8-10-0 4 Sicilian Answer, 9-2 Seech King, 5 Stackrath Prince, 6 Portune Seeker, 8 Smarraide, Doubleuagain, 12 Doubtlut Venture, 14 Benzom Boy, 20 others. 3.45 PINTAIL CHASE (handicap: £1,700: 2m 4f) (14) 9-4 Trinity Air, 4 Downshire Boy, 5 Prince Blong, 7 Excursion, 10 Smiling Sam, 12 Ballyloyre, Will Boreen, 18 others. 4.15 MERGANSER NATIONAL HUNT (flat: amateurs: E1 500: 2m) (21)

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4 000 MR FREDERICK J Costello 5-12-6 C Magner
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7 CARROUFF LADY O Bringen 5-11-10 F Codd
8 0 COCLGRENA S Shelds 5-11-10 Mr Phelin 5
10 000 DEEP DE LEBRA F Plood 5-11-10 Mr Phelin 5
11 0 FINE WHIP T Carbarry 5-11-10 Mr Phelin 5
12 GREENWAYS BOY J Masseel 5-11-10 P Fine
13 HELBRY WARRING J Smith 5-11-10 P Fine
14 BINDAM PONY N Henley 5-11-10 Mr White 7
15 KNOCKEEVAN GRIL P Carbary 5-11-10 Mr White 7
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19 SARACENS ANVIL P Quintam 5-11-10 Mr A Ferris
20 000 YOUNG BLOOD & KIX 5-11-10 Mr A Ferris
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22 000 YOUNG BLOOD & KIX 5-11-10 Mr A Ferris
24 Carmins, Fridge, 10 Ballinty Boy, 12 Mr Fraderick, 16 Oricket Enough, Greenwaya Boy, 20 others. £1,500: 2m) (21)

Fairyhouse selections By Our Irish Correspondent 1.45 Parsfield, 2.15 Galalith, 2.45 Morning Breaks, 3.15 Beech King, 3.45 Trinity Air, 4.15 Ararun.

optimistic about his horse's prospects. "I promise you that if he jumps, he'll have a great chance," Champion said.

Toby Balding, who sent out Highland Wedding to win in 1969, believes he has a suitable replacement in Lucky Vanc, whose jumping was considered too unreliable to go for the race last year. Since teaming up with John Burke, however, Lucky Vane's jumping has shown a marked improvement. Michael Dickinson, who withdrew Ashley House at the overnight stage last year, has four entries -Ashley House, Carl's Wager, Cavity Hunter and Prince Rowan. The obvious contender at this early stage is Ashley

include Midnight Love, trained by Denys Smith who was responsible for Red Alligator in 1968; Cockle Strand and Three To One who fought out a thrilling finish to the Scottish National two years ago; Canton, the 1983 Scottish National winner, with whom Neville Crump will be trying to win a fourth National; and Eliogarty, one of 24 Irish entries and the easy winner of the Christies Foxhunters at the Cheltenham Festival last season. Corals make Ashley House and Corbiere 14-1 joint favour-

Other interesting entries

ites for the Grand National. Other prices; 16-1 Greasepaint, 20-1 Bonum Omen, Grittar, 25-

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Blasing Wind 8, Sobres 8, Borsum Ormen 10,
Brase O'Tuly 9, Brave Jock 8, Bush Guide 8,
Button Boy 11, Carlson Gages B, Cambon 10,
Captain Parthia 11, Carlso Wager 9, Cavity
Husser 13, Chargolo 10, Closthutufun 10, Cockie
Strand 11, Cold Spell 12, Colone Christy 9,
Corbiere 9, Dawn Fox 11, Distemper 10, Don't Forget 10, Door Spe 8, Doublesagain 10,
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Faulcon 9, Felicips Pet 10, Fertherd Friend 9,
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Black 8, Jacks 12, Jivego De Neury 9, Jocks
Bond 10, Jo Colombo 9, Keengandy 11, King
Spruce 10, Kright O'Love 9, Knockawad 7,
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Words 11, Lucity Call 10, Lucky Rew 8, Lucky
Vane 8, Mecha Gerage 9, Magic Tipp 11,
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Nound 12, Mr Oryx 11, Mr Srugilt 7,
Mutlacury 12, My Buck 12, Never Tamper 8,
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Williams to attempt an unusual double

John Williams, the talented Welsh jockey hopes to ride in both the Lincoln and the Grand National in March. Few jockeys have ridder both legs of the spring double in the same year but Williams intends to parner Macmillion at Doncaster on March 24 and Never Tamper at

Aintree a week later.

Dave Dick won both races, on Gloaming and E.S.B., but those victories were separated by 15 years.

Stan Mellor, who has ridden more jumping winners than anyone, rode in the Grand National and a Flat sprint on the same day but was never able to match up a Lincoln ride and a Grand National mount in

the same year.

David Nicholson, the Stow-onthe-Wold trainer, said: "I should
think that Davey (D. L.) Jones rode
in both races in the same year. I
certainly remember him riding in the Grand National, over hurdles and on the Flat all on the same day". Davey's son, Buck Jones, the Guildford trainer, said: "I can't be sure but it hink it's very likely that father rode in both races - he did just about everything else."

Williams's Lincoln ride is not without hope as Macmillion undoubtedly has ability. He had smart form as a young horse and ran in the 2000 Guineas. John is delighted with the weight of 8st 5lb and said: "I will do that all right. Macmillion must have a chance because he had 10 stone in the race last year and showed good speed". Macmillion's enthusiasm has been questioned in the past but the horse has had problems and Barbara Waring, his trainer, is confident they are now sorted out. He is a spring horse and will lack nothing in fitness as he was impressive over hurdles at Worcester recently with Williams in the saddle. They will be in action again at Windsor next Wednesday. Never Tamper, from John

Baker's West Country stable, was a 500-1 chance when he jumped 26 of the 30 fences before refusing at Aintree last year. He started this West Country handicaps and although there must be a possibility that, with the big entry, he could b among the low weights eliminated, Williams said: "I think he will squeeze in all right".



Williams: Hoping to ride in both legs of the spring

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RUGBY UNION

Clubs could welcome cancellation of games

By David Hands Rugby Correspondent

The weather seems likely to frustrate a number of third round John Player Cup ties on Saturday and, as a consequence, a number of England players hoping to use those games as a proving ground.
Wheeler, England's hooker, for instance, has played only one junior game since leading England to victory over New Zealand on November 19, and though he is happy with his general level of fitness, a hard cup game would have Unfortunately, Leicester's tie at Covenity is in doubt. The Coundon

Road pitch is covered in snow and a decision will be made at midday tomorrow. If the game cannot be played it may be welcomed by both played it may be welcomed by both clubs who have extensive injury lists: Youngs is out of Leicester's side with a groin strain, while Coventry too are without their scrum half, Thomas. His deputy is Lander, but if there is a postponment he, too, will be missing because he is due to take up an appointment in Devon after nine years with Coventry. years with Coventry.
Colclough, the England lock who
missed squad training at Bisham

Abbey last weekend, is available for Wasps this weekend, but they are due to play at Gosforth, who wasps this weekend, but they are due to play at Gosforth, who anticipate moving four inches of snow of their putch with a snowplough. If the game is not played, Wasps will look at the possibity of fixing up 1 game on their own ground.

O'Driggell, the Ireland flasher.

their own ground.

O'Driscoll, the Ireland flanker, who was the subject of unwelcome attention by Garuet, the French prop, during the international in Pans last Saturday, returns to the London Insh side to play Bedford, one of the cup games far enough south to escape the worst of the weather. Bristol, too, is far from snowbound but they are due to play snowbound, but they are due to play at Norwich who have nine inches of snow on their pitch but are understandably keen not to disap-point their local support by switching the game.

David Loveridge, the New Zealand scrum half, who visits



Loveridge: taking a clinical look at the game

Britain next month to receive the Rughy Writers' Club award as personality of the year, is to hold a

personality of the year, is to hold a coaching clinic at Gloucester on February 13.

Unfortunately, the clinic clashes with a proposed England training evening at Stourbridge, which would exclude Youngs and Hill, of Bath, who will spend an anxious few days while Youngs's injury clears up wondering whether he may be cataoulted to an England can in his catapulted to an England cap in his first season of senior rugby. Should Youngs be forced to

withdraw from the Calcutta Cup match on February 4, he will join two other injured scrum halves on the sidelines, Smith (Sale) and Melville (Wasps), whose cartilage operation is expected to take place

The Scotland-England game will be refereed by David Burnett (Ireland) and not, as originally stated, by Rene Hourquet, of France. Hourquet will take charge of

47-0 win over UMIST, who must have wondered whether it was

worth fighting their way down from

the frozen north.

The incisive running from Thomas, the centre, who has played

for the Swansea club side, and the alertness of Horner, the full back,

who joined his line at every opportunity, carned each of them three tries. The other tries came from Driver on the left wing and

from Picton, a flanker who left the field near the end with a dislocated

Exeter's dreams fade again

end. Nottingham played well at the lineout and now face a semi-final

CRICKET

Swansea cruised to a comfortable shoulder.

at a neutral ground

Exeter University, who have dominated the Universities Athletic Anglo-Scots prop who was injured -Exeter have enjoyed a successful Union (UAU) competition over the last five years, contesting four finals without winning the trophy, were beaten yesterday in the quarter-finals of this season's event. season but lost to a side who played Osborne, the Excter full back, gave his side the lead with a penalty, but that was cancelled by Friend, the visiting stand-off half, who Figalists last year when they drew kicked a penalty just before half-time and a second shortly before the

with Durham only to lose the game on tries scored, Exeter lost 6-3 at home to Nottingham University.

Despite the loss of 10 members of last year's side - including Hill at scrum half who has chosen to play club rugby with Bath and Sole, the game with Swansca on February 8,

unofficial West Indian team beat Griqualand West by 123 runs in a 50-over manch yesterday. They secred 316 for nme wickets and bowled out the opposition for 193 in 47.1 overs.

The acting West Indian captain. Albert Padmore, won the toss and chose to bat first. The regular captain, Lawrence Rowe, as well as, Sylvester Clarke, Alvin Kallicharran, Collis King, David Murray and Hartley Alleyne, were rested

Kimberley (Agencies) - The unofficial West Indian team beat

Lynch sixes in West Indian spree The West Indians were 237 for four at lunch after 40 overs. Their wicket before the West Indian team

freely, Griqualand West, when their turn behind the clock at came, were well behind the clock at tea in pursuit of their target, having reached \$1 for four, with only 27 overs left. Neville Wright and Mike

Cotton dinner

at The Belfry

Henry Cotton celebrates his seventy-seventh birthday today, (Mitchell Platts writes). It is now 50 years since he won the first of his three Open championships, and the

Professional Golfers Association are

to bonour this anniversary with a

eventual top scorers were Everton Mattis, with 84, and the Surrey player. Monte Lynch, with 73, including five sixes in only 50 balls. Two wickets were down for 52 but thereafter the West Indians sored Kenny Dugmore, and Wayne Exherny Dugmore, and Wayne Exherny Dugmore, and Wayne Exherny Dugmore, and Wayne Exherny Dugmore, and Wayne Schonegaval was run out just before

SCORES: West indigra, 316 for 9 (E H Matris 84, M A Lynch 73; Mc Leren 4 for 39, A Beukes 2 for 65); Griqualand West, 183. Other cricket, page 20

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posters advertising the tournament to be altered, and now dozens of giant images of the absent 16-year-old loom over the proceedings like some strangely proliferating ghost.

Ballesteros back for more

Hartley Alleyne, were rested

Casino beach. South Africa. (Reuter) - Spain's Severiano Ballesteros, the U.S. Masters champion, tees off in the Wild Coast Classic here today with fond memorics of his last appearance in South Africa. The Sapniard col-lected £212,000 last December for

winning the Sun City million dollar challenge. hallenge. The rewards for success on this brand new 6,940 yard course will be far smaller, with only £13,500 going to the winner.

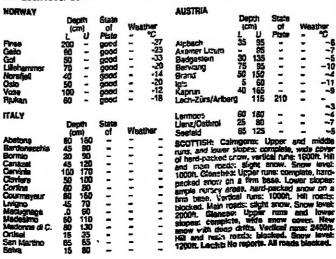
celebration dinner. Among the guests at the dinner, to be held at The Belfry, Sutton Coldfield on July 12, will be officers of the Royal and Ancient, of which Cotton is an honorary member, the PGA and Royal St George's.

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and two months when he scored 102 against India in Hyderabad in 1955. Martin is 21 years four months. H G Vivian, 19 years 121 days, who scored 100 against South Africa in 1932, remains the yoursest

Hadlee delivers

another bouncer

Wellington (Reuter) -Richard Hadlee, the New Zealand player at the centre of

the controversy over bouncers during the first Test, said yesterday that it was a case of

He also sent down a couple to

from the team, it was a case of

batsman.

remains the youngest.

It was confirmed on arrival University Oval where the pitch here yesterday that Ian Botham will not be playing in the three-day match against Otago start-ing tomorrow, although his Test match injury has complicated the recently vacated Basin Reserve. Otago's best known players are W K Lees, the wicket-keeper and captain, and S L Boock, the left-arm spin what was originally granted as a straight forward leave of ab- bowler A challenger to Martin Crowe's place as New Zealand's

Botham and Willis, his captain, are both standing down. As Botham is having treatment on a pulled hamstring and a swollen tendon behind the left knee, he would not have been fit to play anyway, although Bernard Thomas, England's physiotherapist is satisfied that the all-rounder will be ready for the second Test match starting in Christchurch tomorrow week.

As to a cartilage operation, to which I referred yesterday, Mr Thomas is also hoping that Botham will avoid that, although he concedes that the strain placed on 28-year-old knees that are playing cricket and soccer each and every year always make it a possibility. It is the twisting and turning of the knee joints that make soccer players so vulnerable. "Eventually." I was told, "lan will need a cartilage taking out".

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The England party did not need the proximity of Burns Night to be reminded that they opened hostilities by peppering were in the Scotland of the South Seas: green hills, distant mountains, the Robbie Burns liquor store and a sudden rise in axi-cab fares. But here, as in Scotland, hospitality abounds. Foster and Randall also seem likely to be rested which means that Gower will lead a team

reading: Tavare, Smith, Fowler, Gower, Lamb, Gatting, Marks, Billey, Taylor, Cook and

Otago are having their Zealand, then it was up to me to Carisbrook ground relaid so this make sure they copped a few match is to be played on the back".

innings over, bawled out at 51

Ray Illingworth has ended a playing career with Yorkshire which began 33 years ago. The former England captain said yesterday that he is not prepared to put up any longer with the shouting and bawling which he had to endure last season from certain sections of the crowd. The 51-year-old off-spinner, who last summer led Yorkshire to the John Player League trophy, will continue as learn manager for the time being.

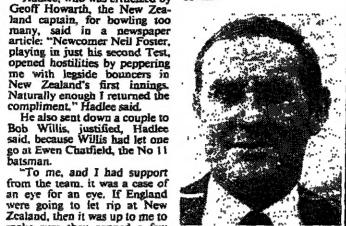
continue as team manager for the time being.

Illingworth explained: "I did say at the end of last season that I would be prepared to play in some one-day matches if necessary. But after talking the matter over with my wife and family I have decided to call it a

day.
"Even though I am now 51, I still topped the national bowling averages in one-day matches last season and I feel I could do well again, but I'm not going to take any more stick.

Illingworth brought Yorkshire their first trophy in 14 years last summer, but he was often subjected to verbal abuse on the field because of the continuing Boycott contro-

illingworth also announced that the 35-year-old fast bowler, Steve Oldham, will be returning to Yorkshire from Derbyshire where he has played since 1980. Oldham will play if necessary, but his main job will be to coach the young



W Indians inspired by Harper

Canberra (Reuter) - The off-spin bowler, Roger Harper, took four for 24 as the West Indians comfortably defeated Australian Capital Territory in a one-day match here

vesterday.

The local batsmen, chasing a formidable turget of 244, were always struggling against the West Indian attack, and could total only 184 for seven off their 50 overs. The pace bowlers. Garner and Holding, were used sparingly, bowling only 11 overs between them, while Harper and Gomes bowled their full

The West Indians made a poor start losing their first three wickets for only 21 runs. SCORES: West Indiana 243 for nine (50 overs). Australian Capital Territory 184 for seven (50 overs) (K Stone 52. Harper 4 for 24).

Australian sponsorship

Sydney (Reuter) - Four young Australian cricketers were yesterday awarded Esso scholarships for the 1984 English season. They are Peter Faulkner, of Tasmania, lan Car-michael, of South Australia, Brett Mulder, of West Australia, and Brett Henschell, of Queensland. The Australian cricket board said the four would play during the English summer for counties yet to be

allocated.

Henschell, aged 23, a right-handed batsman and off-spinner, has scored more than 1,000 runs in Sheffield Shield, and Mulder, another off-spinner, toured England with the Australian under-19s in

TENNIS

Smith measures up with a swift century

Sydney, (Reuter) - Steve Smith. Sydney, (Reuter) - Steve Smith, Australia's new opening batsman, took advantage of a depleted attack to hit 106 from only 129 deliveries in his side's 87-run victory in a World Series Cup one-day match here yesterday. The result virtually guarranteed that Australia will meet the West Indies in next month's trials at Pakistan's in next month's trials at Pakistan's

Smith. 22 celebrated his move up the order by providing the cornerstone of the Australian total of 244 for eight.

He has been picked for the forthcoming tour of the West Indies and proved the selectors right in a partnership with Ritchie which gave Australia 50 runs in 43 minutes from 10 overs. Smith took charge of the

proceedings after Wessels, his fellow opener, was caught for seven.

Pakistan badly missed the experience and skill of fast bowler Sarfraz Nawaz and only their leg-Sariaz Nawaz and only their leg-spinner. Abdul Qadir, gave Austra-lia any trouble, ahthough even Qadir proved expensive, conceding 42 runs from his nine overs. Pakistan got away to a disastrous start when Mudassar was run out without scoring and Mohsin Khan was bowled for one.

Their captain, Imran Khan, steadied the innings with the help of Javed Miandad but when he was run out for 41 the Pakistani batting

"Kim Hughes said if you get to 30 or 40, you will get your century, and I wanted to prove him right", said Smith. "I thought I scratched around for a while and the occasional one seamed away. But the longer I stayed the better I felt".

recently after touring 5ri Lanks in April, but scores of 75 and 100 in Sheffield Shield matches revived his confidence.

The West Indies head the threeway table with 10 points from six games, Australia have seven from seven and Pakistan three from seven. For Australia not to make the final they would have to lose their last three games and Pakistan would

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BOWLING: Rashid Xhari 9-0-36-1; Tahir Naqoshi 10-3-55-2; Abdul Cadir 9-1-42-3; Mudasar Nazar 10-1-33-1; Elaz Faqir 7-0-36-0; Wasim Reja 6-0-30-0. PAKISTAN BY TUD OUT

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YACHTING

Scanlon not up to his seeding

Philadelphia (Agencies) - Brad Gilbert, the conqueror of Brittan's John Lloyd in the first round, caused the major upset on Tuesday in the second round of the United States professional indoor cham-pionship here at the Spectrum. In a day which saw the descriptor of forday which saw the departure of four seeded players. Gilbert defeated Bill seeded players, Gilbert defeated Bill Scanlon, a fellow American and seeded No 5. 6-4. 6-2. Wojtek Fibak, the 1981 runner-up, recovered from 3-1 down in the

final set to put out the tenth seed, Tim Mayore, 3-6, 6-3, 7-5 and Ben Testerman beat the seventh seed, Gene Mayer, 6-7, 6-4, 6-3 in an all

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More powerful

service had taken him to victory
over Stefan Edberg, winner of the
junior grand slam last year,
climinated Edberg's Swedish
countryman, Henrik Sundstrom,
6-3, 6-1. Gilbert's sound driving and

volleying took him through against Scanlon who was the highest ranked player to fall. He took the first four games but Scanlon briefly showed his resistance when he saved three set points to recover at 4-5. But Scanlon netted a service return on the fourth set point and, in the

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second set, he had on answer to

Fibak truimphed after an unba lanced deciding set in which he trailed 3-1, led 5-4 then lost service to love for 5-5. He said later that he would be more competitive this

Sundstrom, the thirteenth seed, was on the receiving end of Korita's thundering service and was unable to get into his stride. Testerman's victory was less easily achieved. The qualifier lost the first set but prolonged the contest for two hours and a balf and won the final game against service.

6-1, 7-5.
SECOND HOLRED: B Gilbert (US) bt W Scarlon (US), 8-4, 6-2; E Korlia (US) bt H Sundström (Swee), 8-3, 6-1; E Teitscher (US) bt G Methibust (Can), 8-4, 8-1; J Kriek (US) bt G V Van Patten (US), 8-4, 6-4; S Davis (US) bt S Glammater (US), 6-7, 5-2, 8-8; H Leconse (Fr) bt N Odizor (Nigeria) 6-1, 8-1; B Testarman (US) bt G Mayer (US), 6-7, 6-4, 8-3; W Floak (Pol) bt T Mayottis (US), 3-6, 6-3, 7-5.

No stopping the Czech

Marco Island, Florida (Agencies)

- Hana Mandlikova, the Czechoslovak who ended Martina Navratilova's 54-match winning sequence last work, is maintaining her impressive form. After two years without a title her victory over Miss Navratilova form. After two years without a title her victory ovr Miss Navratilova was her second in succession, and on Tuesday she made progress in the women's grand prix tournament here.

Seeded No 3. she defeated (US) 6.8.3 K Howash (US) bt A Bond (US) bt Casain (US) 6.8.3 K Howash (US) bt A Bond (US) 6.6.4 S.1 K Howash (US) bt A Bond (US) bt Casain (US) 6.8.4 K Bonds (US) bt Casain (US) 6.8.4 K Bonds (US) bt Casain (US) 6.8.4 K Bonds (



US rallies under a new banner

Sas Diego (AP) - Dennis Conner, the first American to lose sailing's top trophy, the America's Cup, amounced that he would try to wis it back from Australia with the support of a national organization under the banner of the San Diego

Conner, commodore of the club, said he had notified the New York Yatch Club of his plans on Monday. The New York club have sponsored the American champion in the race for the past 132 years and are to decide in April whether or not to choose Conner to represent them choose Conner to represent thes

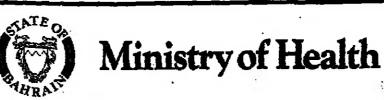
again.

The New York Yatch Club deserves recognition for upholding the best tradition in yachting for more than a century," Conner, who saidled for the New York club last September and in 1980, said. "But because of the enthusiasm and support we've received for fielding a national effort we feel this is the appropriate path to take."

He amounced the formation of a national coalition of yatch club organizations to form the backbone organizations to form the backbone of his effort. It will be called America's Cup '87. "Our goal was to make America's Cup '87 a traly national group with the sole purpose of winning the cup for America rather than for any particular club or acceler." Conner soid.

• Canberra (AFP) - Australia's ◆ Camberra (AFP) - Australia's winging team were recognized in the Australia day honoms list ansomeed yesterday by Governor-General Sir Ninian Stephen. Alson Bond, the syndicate head, received the highest honour, the Order of Australia, while the designer, Ben Lexcon, the manager, Warren Jones, the project manager, John Longley, the salmaker, Tont Schnackenberg and the skipper, John Bertrand, were awarded a lower affice of the order.

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Today's television and radio programmes

Edited by Peter Davalle

6.00 Ceefax AM: news and

information. 6.30 Breakfast Time: with Frank Bough and Seline Scott. Today's specials include Breaklast Time doctor (between 8.36 and 9.00) and Glynn Christian's cookery item (8.45-9.00). Regular items hourly until 8.30; sport (6.40, 8.40) TV Choice (6.55) and the review of the morning papers (7.18 and 8.18). Russel Grant's heroscope item is at

9.00 The Genuine Article: how to tell real jewels from takes. With John FitzMaurice Mills: 9.25 Pages from Ceefax.

10.30 Play School: A House Made of Snow; 10.55 Ceetax pages. 12.30 News Afternoon: 12.57 Financial Report. And sub-

titled news headlines. 1.00 Pebble Mill at One: Holiday hints from Jill Crawshaw; music by Carmel. 1.45 King Rollo; 1.50 Brick-a-brac.

2.00 The Afternoon Show: Anorexia victims talk about the paranormal. Special quests: Peter Brough and Archie Andrews; 2.40 Dynasty: Blake Invites his wife's former lover, Mathew Blaisdel, to dinner; 3.25 Arthur Negus Enjoys: A visit to Goodwood House.

3.50 The amazing Adventures of Morph: with Tony Hart; 3.55 Play School: It's Thursday: the story of The Weathercock; 4.20 Heathcliff: cartoon with a cat; 4.25 Jackanory: Cacile Paoli reads the story Cat Skin: 4.40 Fonz and the Happy Days Gang: cartoon; 5.05 John Craven's Newsround; 5.10 Blue Peter: The onehanded Leicestershire clock that has stood still for a

5.40 Sixty Minutes: The line-up is: 5.40 News; 5.54 Weather; 5.55 Regional magazines: 5.38 Closing headlines. 6.40 Doctor Who: Episode one of

Frontios. With Peter Davison, Peter Gilmore and Lesley

7.05 Tomorrow's World: Science and technology magazine. The weight-watchers' scales that tell us the whole truth about what we are eating (calorie content, etc): and new techniques to diagnose antenatal abnormalitites which could help make doctors' the abortion controversy. 7.30 Top of the Pops: with Mike

Smith and Richard Skinner. 8.05 The Living Planet: The second film to add more detail to David Attenborough's Portrait of the Earth is called The Frozen World. Whether it is at the In the Himalayas or the Andes there is one common enemy for plants, animals and people the intense cold. We are reminded how the humans and flora and fauna still manage to

9.00 News: the reader is Sue

9.25 Diana: Episoda 3 of Andrew Davies's 10-part adaptation of R. F. Delderfield's novel finds Jan (now played by Kevin McNally) leaving Devon to work in Fleet Street. Jenny Seagrove now takes over as the girt of the title.

10.20 Question Time: Sir Robin Day's panel tonight consists of Lord Annan; Tony Banks, Labour MP for Newhern North West; Edwina Currie, Conservative MP for Derbyshire South; and Ruth Lebbitt, a specialist in social

11.20 Letting Go: How three families coped with the situation when their teenaged children attempted to assert their independence. 11.45 News headlines

* Tv-am

6.25 Good Morning Britain: with Nick Owen and Anne Diamond. Today's specials include Jeremy Beadle (7.05, 8.05); Stars and their far (8.10); Films (8.35); and Michael Barry's cookery spot (9.05). Regular frems include news (6.30, then half-hourly until 9.00); Sport (6.35, 7.35); Mad Lzzie (6.50, 9.15), Guest of the Day (7.40), and Competition Time (8.27).

ITV/LONDON

9.25 Thames News Headilnes: 9.30 For Schools: 9.30 Fish:9.42Magic and mystery; 9.59 Numbers: 10.11 Moving Again; 10.28 People and Politics: 10.50 Bones in Action: 11.08 Basil Brush; 11.22 Daily German Programme: Bel Bekannten/Freunden.

12.00 Emma and Grandpa: repeated at 4.00; 12.10 Get up and Gol with Beryl Reid; 12.30 The Sullivans: Australian femily-atwar serial.

1.00 News; 1.20 Thames News; 1.30 A Plus: An Invited audience listens to arouments for, and egainst, working

2.00 Grawn Court: The verdict in the case of the journalist (Jim Broadbent) accused of receiving official secrets from a Ministry of Defence employee; 2.30 The Agatha Christie Hour. The Manhood of Edward Robinson, Nicholas Farrell plays the man who. winning a competition, buys the car of his dreams. With Cherie Lunghi (r): 3.30 Sons and Daughters: Fiona has an

unexpected visitor. 4 00 Children's ITV: Emms and Grandps (r): 4.15 Batfinic cartoon; 4.20 Do it: The continuing story of Sheelagh Gilbey, the resourceful newspaper girl; 4.45 This is Me; A film about Paul Joseph, 13, to whom the ballet world has never stopped beckoning 5.15 The Young Doctors: Sister Scott is forced to

cooperate with an intruder. News; 6.00 Thames News; 6.30 Thames Sport. With Steve Rider and Simon Reed 7.00 Knight Rider: Michael (David Hasselhoff) briefly loses his memory and reverts to his old

8.00 The Steam Video Company: Creature from the Black Forest Gateau. Horror film socof about a strange creatur (half human, half car park attendant) who is terrorizing London. With William Franklyn, Barry Cryer, Anna Dawson and the rest of last Thursday

Hotel: An employee at the hotel becomes the victim of a sexual blackmailer. With Anna Baxter and James Brotin.

9.30 TV Eye: Corruption in British public life. The finger of suspicion is pointed at a Midlands city council; at British Leyland; and at two of the Government's property services agency outlets. Reporter: Peter Prendergast.

10.00 News at Ten. And Tharnes 10.30 Film: In Like Filmt (1967) Spy content, starring James Cobum as the agent who is assigned to save the world from a subversive organization consisting entirely of women, and from a power-crazed American general. You can tell that the film is not to be taken seriously because the organization's headquarterra

are in the Virgin Islands. With Lee J Cobb, Jean Hale and Andrew Duggan. Directed by 12.35 Nights Thoughts: with the Rev Kenneth Greet.

Jackie Gleason and Laurence Olivier: (Channel 4, 9,30pm)

BBC 2

Encounter: Spain; 9.33 Descubra Espana: Spanish lesson; 9.52 Jim and the

Beanstelk; 10.12 Science Workshop; 10.34 Two's

Lascaux: 11.55 Better

Company, 11.05 Maths-In-a-

Badminton; clear, drop. smash; 12.10 Newsreels of the

1950s; 12.45 Write Away.

Around Scotland (the River Tay); 2.00 You and Me; 2.15

quarter-finals of the Benson

and Hedges Masters. From the Wembley Conference

coverage, also on BBC 2, et 5.40, 10.10 and 11.35.

Centre, it is a nine-frame match. There is further

5.35 News summary: with sub-titles for the hard of hearing.

5.40 International Snooker: back to

the Benson and Hedges

6.25 Hooked! The second heat of

this match angling competition from the banks of the Trent at

Manor House Fisheries, Newark-on-Trent. There is

also an interview with Matt Summers, secretary of the

(1963) There is much sad irony in the title of this Judy Garland

drame, with songs, it was to be her last film. She plays an

American singer on a visit to London where she becomes

emotionally involved with her unsuspecting son and her old

el, Sue Cook, Ed Boyle

and Michael Molyneux. All about crime, punishment, and

lover (Dirk Bogarde). With Jeck Klugman and Aline

MacMahon. Directed by

the machinery of justice.

world's worst salesman (lan

Lavender). Tonight, a glib

burglar alarm of dublous

lue, Co-starring Mary

first of two documentaries about wrecked merriages. Tonight the children who get

emotional battles that follow

their eight years of marriage.

10.10 International Snooker: The

Hedges Masters.

latest at the Benson and

10.50 Newmight. All the latest news and in-depth comment about the stories that matter.

Masters, at Wemble

last report of the night from the Benson and Hedges

Conterence Centre. Ends at

Ronald Neams (Choice)

8.30 Out of Court: with David

9.00 The Hello Goodbye Man: Comedy series about the

9,30 Forty Minutes: Divorce

Disabled Angling Club.

6.55 Film: I Could Go on Singing

Masters.

sic Time; 2.40 Walrus: The

1.10 Specialist Civil Servants: 1.38

9.00 Pages from Caefax; 9.15 Daytime on Two (until 3.00).

The line-up is:- 9.15

MR HALPERN AND MR JOHNSON (Channel 4, 9.30pm) is a two-handed conversation piece. Two elderly gentlemen exchange brief words at their first meeting in a

terren dere de las las de la calcala de la casa de la c

cametery, then develop the relationship over drinks in an hotel and subsequently over lunch. But there is a silent and invisible third party present, the deceased wite of one of them, who is the sole topic of their conversation, incorporaal she might be, but in dramatic terms, she is an infinitely more substantial figure than either of the two old chaps which could mean either that Lionel Goldstein's play has not come off or that, if it this is the effect he intended that it has, it might, on the other hand, be something to do with a strangely disorientated performance by Laurence Olivier as the brandnew widower who slides in and out of different social classes with the

CHANNEL 4

screen version of the popular

home-based word game. With

Alan Coren, editor of Punch.

5.30 Everybody Here: Multi-cultural programme for the younger viewer. hy Griffiths, believed

viewer. Ny Gritfiths, believe to be London's only black

6.00 Barriers: Episode four of this 20-episode drama serial about an orphaned teenager's

woman bus driver, describes

search for his natural parents.

Tonight, a group of hooggans

disrupt a school concert, and

Bility (Benedict Taylor), one of the performers, plans to get his own back on the intruders

prize-winning film in which Pat Farrero interviews quit-makers throughout the United

States, Some are immigrants;

others were born in America.

process in their work, and how

transformed by what they do.

They discuss the creative

their daily lives have been

7.50 Comment: A platform for the

views of Maya Angelou, an

American writer, actress and

edition of what must be one of

the most consistently entertaining races against the clock ever seen on British television. Barbara and Paul

Green, from Northern Ireland,

helicopter in search of hidden

she has fallen in love with him

And there is more about the supposed adultery of Mary and Burt.

treasure, Kenneth Kendali's

guidance with the clues is

are the studio ciue-hunters who send the tireless Anneka

Rice off to York in her

waluable.

9.00 Soap: Jessica fires the

detective, Donohue, be-

9.30 Mr Haipern and Mr Johnson: Two-hander, written by Lionel

Goldstein, and co-starring Laurence Olivier and Jacki

Gleason as the two men who

meet for the first time, at the

funeral of the wife of one of

bachelor who befriends a

young girl and becomes the

11.05 Wish You Were Here: Another

night's Thames Television

holiday programme dealing with holidays in Normandy

(including visits to some of the Second World War

attlefields), the attractions of

Edinburgh; and the second part of a fly-and-drive holiday

in the Lake Tahoe region of

the American Wast

11.30 Stand Your Ground: Self-

Quinn.

defence for women,

them (see Choice).

10.35 Love, Sidney: American comedy series, with "heart", starring Tony Randall as the

7.00 Channel Four News.

8.00 Treasure Hunt: Another

dancer.

6.30 Outts in Women's Lives: A

5.00 Television Scrabble: Small-

and Rob Buckman.

her working day.

CHOICE

same abandon with which his apeach swings between the East End of London and the West Side of New York, There is a similar lack of definition about the precise geographical setting of the play itself, though the waiters sound vaguely American. There is no mistely and the setting of the play itself and the setting of the setting o king the side of the Atlantic from which Jackie Gleason, the Mr Johnson of the title, comes. He spends much of the play trying to convince Olivier's Mr Halpern that the 40-year liaison he had with his wife was nothing more than platonic

Even more so than A Star is

nothing to the popular singer. Some critics thought that Miss Garland's performance as the mother trying to retrieve her son, was the cinema's Radio choice: lan Saynor's young lover takes a bit of time to warm up in ROMEO AND JULIET (Radio 3, 7.5pm), but when the fire

Not until the very end do we discover that bereavement is not the only thing the two men have in common.

Born, I COULD GO ON SINGING

Radio 4

8.00 News Briefing. 8.10 Farming Today, 8.25 Shipping Forecast.

Forecast.
4.30 Today, including 6.30, 7.30, 8.30
News Summary. 8.45 Prayer for
the Day. 6.55 7.55 Weather. 7.00,
8.00 Today's News, 7.25, 8.25
Sport. 7.45 Thought for the Day.
8.35 Yesterday in Partisment.
8.57 Weather; Travel.
9.00 News

Waskly investigation into the problems of listeners. With Roger Cook as the intrepid investigator

One in 340 people in journalism is black. Margaret Percy looks at this lack of representation, and at the increase of black newspapers

1.00 News. 2.05 Checkpoint (new series). A

10.00 News; In Business with Peter Hobday.

10.00 Morring Story: "Sheraton Lane Ends" by Ted Moore, The reader; Christian Roska.

10.45 Delly Service from Edinburgh.

11.00 News; Travet, in Slack and Whita, One in 340 people in journalisms.

12.27 Get The Most out of your Body.
(4) The Motor System. With Dr.
Rob Buckman and Jalime Adams,
the singing nurse. 12.55 Weether,
Programme News.
1.00 The World at One: News.
1.40 The Archers. 1.55 Shipping
Forecast

Forecast.
2.00 News; Woman's Hour. Today's edition has an Item In which Roz Morris Injerviews some older wives. She also talks to their

husbands and there is spisode tine of Earthly Possessions. Afternoon Theatre: Where are you Now, Margaret McCulia? By Paul Angelis. A play about a television journalist who takes a

talevision journalist who takes a trip back to his native Liverpool where he tries to find his childhood sweetheart, by whose memory he has been obsessed for years. With Michael Angelis and Shirin Taylor.1

4.50 Hews, that After Four, Lynn ten Kreats averaged by men in Sri

Kate's overland journey to ! Lanks (7). Bookshelf, Radio 4's book

programme. With Hunter Davi 4.40 Story Time: The Leopard' by Gluseppe di Lampedusa (9). Read by Gabriel Woolf.

BBC1 Wales 12.57-1.00 News of Wales, 3.48-3.50 News of

11.45 News headlines, Scottish ne

Wales 5.55 (Part of Skey Minutes)
Wales today. 11.45 News headines.
News of Wales headines. Scotland:
12.55-1.05 Soctish news. 5.55 (Part of Skey Minutes)
Scotland: Skey Minutes.

11.45 News headines, Scottish news summary, Northern Ireland 12.57-1.00 Northern Ireland news, 3.48-3.50 Northern Ireland news, 5.56 (Part of Soby Minutes) Scene Around Stx, 11.20-12.00 Professional Boxing: (Berry McGuigan v Charm Chiteule), 12.00 midnight Northern Ireland news headlines, England 5.55 (Part of Stxty Minutes), 11.30 Close.

S4C Starts 2.00pm Hwnt Ac Yerna.
2.20 Flaiabelam. 2.35 Be Your
Own Boss. 3.20 Everyone a special kind
of artist. 3.50 Country Crisis? 4.15
Television Scrabble. 4.45 Guto Goch a
Malwen. 5.00 Aabott and Costallo show.
6.00 Brookside. 6.30 Chicago Teddy
Bears. 7.00 Newyddion Sath. 7.30 Ar
Adain Chwim. 8.00 Childhood. 9.25
Sgrach '84. 10.20 Shwcar. 11.00 Space
Invaders. 1.00am Closedown.

GRAMPIAN As London except: 9.25em 9.30 First Thing. 1.20pm 1.30 News. 3.30 -4.00 Young Doctors. 5.15-5.45 Mr Smith. 6.00 North Tonight. 6.30 Police News. 6.35 Crossroeds. 7.00 That's my Boy. 7.30-8.00 Carry on Laughing. 10.30 Minder. 11.30 Crann Tara. 12.00 News, closedown.

in recent years (r), 11.48 Enquire Within, 12.00 News; You and Yours.

eventually gets started, the whole production ignities, too. Harriet Watters's Juliet is alight from the start . . Paul Angelis's play WHERE ARE YOU NOW, MARGARET MCCULA? (Radio 4, 3.00pm) rams the point home that sentimental journeys into the past are best avoided. Some realistic dialogue and a strong feeling for the Merseyside location ensure that the message is safely, and entertainingly, delivered to us.

(BBC 2, 6.55pm) is the film in which

the actress in Judy Garland yields

5.00 News Magazine, 5.50 Shipping Forecast, 5.55 Weather;

6.00 The Six O'Clock News; Financial

6.30 My Word! (r).†
7.00 News.
7.05 The Archers.
7.05 Concert Prelude. Jeremy
Siepmann looks ahead to
tonight's concert.
7.00 Scottish National Orchestra
dence from the City Hall. direct from the City Hall, Glasgow, Part 1: Berlioz, (Overture: Le Corsaire), and Beethoven (Plano Concerto No 4, with Peter Franki as soloist).†

8.15 Any Answers?
8.35 Concert Part 2: Mozart, (Symph No 38); and Strauss (Till Eulenspiege).
9.25 Silent Randezvous. Mana Joies recounts her memories of artistic life in Paris in the 1920's in conversation with Frank Delaney.

9.45 Kalekioscope, Art magazine, Includes reviews of Flotow's opera Martha (New Sadiest's Wells Opera), and an interview with Roman Polanski.

10.15 A Book at Bedtime: Ethan Froms' by Edith Wharton (4), Read by Michael J Shannon.

18.36 The World Tonight, including 11.06 Financial World Tonight. 11.36 Today in Parliament.

12.05 News. 12.16 Weather. 12.15-Close Shipping Forecast.
England VHF; as above except:
6.25-6.30sm Weather;
Programme News For Schools:
9.05 A Service for Schools:
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Movement and Drama 1, 10, 15 in the News. 13.00 Weathersthin the News, 11.30 Wavele the News. 11.30 Wavelength.
1.55-2.00pm For Schools: 2.00
Living Language. 2.00 Radio
Geography. 2.40 Quest. 5.505.55 PM (continued), 11.00-11.30
Study on 4: Aliaz Francel 12.301.10 Schools Night-Time
Broadcasting: - 12.30 Books,
Plays, Poems. 12.55 Examination
English 14-17.

Radio 3

6.55 Weather; 7.00 News. 7.65 Morning Concert: Scarlatti's Sinfonia in D (Linde/ André/Collegium Musicum, Zuricht; Marenzio's Intermedi No 2 (Music for the Medici Wedding); Jacob van Eych's Variations on a Bravade (Hans-Martin Linde, tuse); Frederick the Great's Sonata in Eliminor (Linde/Dahler/Muller) and Bach's Brandenberg Concerto No 5 (Linde Consort); t8.00 News.

B.05 Morning Concert; ratur News.
B.05 Morning Concert; part two.
Sibelius's Lemminkaigen and the
Maidens of Saan (Lemminkainen legends); and Nielsen's
Symphony No 3 (Sinfonla
espansiva: with Kirsten Schultz,
Pater Resminssen and Denich Peter Rasmussen and Danish Radio SO. 19.00 News.

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This week's Composer:
Couperin, Today's works include
the Concert XIV in D minor; the
Easter moter's Victoria Christo
Desturgantic tha Trick Canada in the Paster index victore a Contata in 8 minor: Le Parnasse or L'Apotheose de Coretti. † 10.00 Britten' Piano Concerto: Richter with the English Chamber Orchestra. The composer

10.35 Music for Clarinet: a recnal by Muchael Collens, with Vanessa Latarche as accompanist. Works by Franz Amon Hoffmelster (Sonata in F), Bernhard Henrik Crusell (Introduction and Variations on Swiss Aks, Op 12), and Alec Templeton (Pocket-sized Sonata No 2). 1

sized Sonata No 2). 1

11.28 Chamber Orchestras of Europe: English Chamber Orch, with the EBC Singers, Jennefer Smith (sop) and Valda Aveiling (harpsichord). Part one, Soler's Salve, for soprano, chorus and orchestra; Gerhard's Cancionero de Pedrell; and Falla's Harpsichord Concerto. At 12.10 Falla's Fi Compoidor y la Falla's El Corregidor y la Molinera. Interval reading at 12.05. News at 1.00.

1.05 Manchester Midday Concert Medici String Quartet play Haydn's String Quartet in G minor, Op 74 No s3; and Mozart' in G, K 397.

in G, K 397.

2.00 | Masnadem: Verdi's four-act opera. Sung in Italian, on records it is based on Schiller's Die Rauber. Richard Borlynge conducs the Welsh National Opera forces. Joan Sutherland sings the role of Amalia, with Franco Bontsolit as Carlo. Act one. Act 2 at 2.50, Act 3 at 3.30, and Act 4 at 4.05 with immercal and Act 4 at 4.05, with interval

4.35 Clementi: John McCabe (piano) plays the Sonata in F minor, Op 13;1 4.55 News.

5.00 Mainly for Pleasure: another Michael Berkeley selection.1 6.30 Bandstand: Larvik Wind Ensemble play Warren Benson' Symph No 2 (Lost Songs).†

7.00 Jane Manning and Friends: the soprano, with Simon Rowland-Jones (volat) and Tony Hymas (piano) in performances of Frank Bridge's Three Songs; Jonathan Lloyd's Three Songs; and a Noel Coverd encora t Coward encors.† 7.35 Romeo and Juliet: Another

Romeo and Juliet: Another chance to hear Richard Wortley's production of the Shakespeare play, in which lan Saynor and Harriet Walter play the title roles, with Elizabeth Springs (as the Nurse), Stephen Thoma (Friar Laurence), William Night (Mencubo), Stuart Organ (Tybelt), and Alex Jennings (Benvollo). The music was specially written for this production by Yona Sekacz (r).1

9.55 Sibelius: the Berlin Philharmonic, conducted by Herbert von
Karajan, play the incidental
music: Palleas et Melisande.†
10.25 Music in Our Time: Introduced by
John Marlow Fitnys, Includes the
first broadcast of Robin Walker's

Dance/Still; Thys's Telemachus stopped at the fountain (a first performance); and Gerhard's Libra. Capitoom. 11.15 News. Until 11.18.

Radio 2

News on the hour. Major bullstins 7.00, 8.00am, 1.00, 5.00pm and 12.00 midnight. Headlines 5.30, 6.30, 7.30, 8.30am (Mr. J.M.W.). 4.00am Collin Berryt 5.30 Ray Mooret 7.30 Terry Wogantincl. 8.31 Racing Bulletin. 10.00 Jinmy Youngt 12.00pm Steve Jonestincl. 1.05 Sport. 2.00 Gloria Hunnitord 2.02, 3.02 Sport. 3.30 Music All The Wayt 4.00 David Hamiltont 4.02, 5.05 Sport. 6.00 John Dunnt 6.02 Sport. 6.45 Sport and Classified Results (MF only). 8.00 Wally Whyton with Country Greats in Concert and Country Club. 9.55 Sport. 10.00 Bernie Clinton's Comedy Shop with Pat Mooney. Tony Peers and Caroline Turner. 10.30 Star Sound Extra. Omer Sharif talks to Phillip Bergson about his Stant talks to Philip Bergson about his screen career, 11.00 Brian Matthew presents Round Midnight (stereo from midnight), 1.00em Nightridet 3.00-4.00 Marching and Waltzingt

Radio 1

News on the half-hour from 5.30 am until 9.30 pm and then 12.00 midnight

(MF/ML). 6.00 am Adrian John. 7.00 Mike Read. 9.00 Simon Bates. 11.30 Mike Smith. Incl. 12.30 Newsbeat. 2.00 Steve Wright. 4.30 Peter Powelf. Incl. 5.30 Newsbeat. 7.00 David Jensen. 10.09-12.00 John

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WORLD SERVICE

5.00 Newsdesk, 7.00 World News. 7.99
Twenty-Four Hours. 7.30 Courtry Silv; 7.45
Network UK. 8.00 World News. 8.09
Reflectorus. 8.16 The Painter of Signs. 8.30
John Peel. 9.00 World News. 9.00 Review of
the British Press. 9.15 The World Today. 9.30
Financial News. 9.40 Look Ahead. 9.45 Edward
Eggs: The Misking of a Composer. 10.15
Monttor. 19.30 Yes Mirrister. 11.00 World
News. 11.00 News about British. 11.15 New
ides. 12.00 Radio Newsreal. 12.15 Top Twenty12.45 Sports Roundup. 1.00 World News. 1.09
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5,00 Channel Report. 6,30 Crossroad's.
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12.30pm-1.00 Crown
Court. 1.20 News. 1.30 Contact. 1.453.30 Film: Best Pair of Legs in the
Business (Diana Coupland). 5.15-5.45
Happy Days. 5.00 Crossroads, 5.25
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11.05 Mysteries of Edgar Wallace*.
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12,20em News, Closedown.

TVS As London except 9.25em-9.30
Farming Brief, 12.20pm-1.00
Crown Court, 1.20 News, 1.30 Afternoon Club, 1.35 Farmhouse Kitchen, 2.10 Club. 1.35 Farmhouse Kitchen. 2.10 Miracle take Longer. 2.40 Stange but true. 3.10 Newbreak. 3.20 Sons and Daughters. 3.50-4.00 A - z. 5.15-5.45 Three Little Words. 5.00 Coast to Coast. 6.35 Crosspads. 7.00 Emmerdale Farm. 7.30-8.00 Carry on Laughing. 10.30 Backchet. 11.00 Showcasa. 11.15 Mysteries of Edgar Walaca*. 12.20em Company. Closedown.

TSW As London except: 1.20pm-1.30 News. 2.30 Family Tree. 3.00-3.30 University Chatlenge. 5.15 Gus Honeybur. 5.20-5.45 Crossrosds. 6.00 Today South-West. 6.30 Gardens For Al. 7.00-8.00 Casablanca. 10.35 HM Straet Fluss. 11.30 Women in Rock in Roll, 12.25am Postscript. Closedown.

GRANADA As London except: 12.30pm-1.00
Farmhouse Kitchen. 1.20 Granada Reports. 1.30-2.00 Paint Along With Nancy. 3.30-4.00 Young Doctors. 5.15-5.45 Beverley Hillbittles*. 8.00 This is your Right. 6.05 Crossroads. 6.30 Granada reports. 7.00 Emmerdale Farm. 7.30-8.00 Carry on Laughing. 12.35em Closedown.

ANGLIA As London except: 1.20pm-1.30 News. 5.15-5.46 Happy Days. 8.00 About Anglia. 6.20 Arena. 6.35 Crossroads. 7.00





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Health service gets more time to name chiefs

By Nicholas Timmins, Social Services Correspon

Griffiths report that general general manager designate for managers should be appointed three years from April 1.

The Griffiths proposals have out the National Health Ser-

After last week's meeting with the 14 regional health authorities' chairmen, Mr Norman Fowler, Secretary of State for Social Services, is expected to announce a slower timetable than ministers ori-ginally hoped for implementing what some see as a radical change in the health service

Mr Fowler and Mr Kenneth Clarke, Minister for Health, remain firmly committed to the Griffiths recommendations, and the names of those being appointed to the health service Management Board are expected to start emerging next month so that they can begin

Under the revised timetable, health authorities will be ap-pointing general managers until April 1985, and the appointment of general managers at highly for a candidate of the unit level will come after that Health authorities which

will be allowed to do so, from existing commitments, so however, after April 1 - the remainder of the board will

Health authorities will be dington, in west London, has given at least a year to introduce already earmarked its administing controvrsial proposals of the trator, Mr Terry Hunt, as

The Griffiths proposals have been greeted with outright opposition from the nurses and unions, and distinct scepticism from the British Medical Association. There has been a mixed reaction from health authorities and administrators, who have warned ministers that the changes must be carefully considered. In general, the 14 regional

health authorities, with some notable exceptions, have given the plans a warmer reception than many of the district authorities, and ministers seem to have taken to heart warnings that it would be counterproductive to try to railroad the changes through.

Ministers will soon start "head-hunting" the manage-ment board chairman, who will be effectively a director-general of the health service.

They are prepared to pay right calibre from business or industry, but such a candidate want to make an earlier start may have to be disentangled ministers' original target date be appointed with a temporary for starting the changes. Pad-chairman first.

GCHQ union ban blamed on pressure from US

Continued from page 1

Nato allies were unhappy that a denial of basic rights. national one-day stoppage and further industrial sanctions at Cheltenbam and the tracking station at Bude in Cornwall would damage strategic cover of signals traffic and hamper the surveillance of Soviet warships. In their announcement on

March 8, 1981, the unions said: "There will be a range of selective and disruptive action which will affect Britain's secret communications surveillance network. There will be both national and international repercussions.

Mr Len Murray, general controlled union, backed up by secretary of the TUC, is to meet £1,000 bribes, is no alternative unions this morning. Last night, union membership

an appalling and unacceptable

"Civil servants, whatever their work, deserve and require the protection of the union and proper union representation just as much as other workers. "It is grossly offensive for the

Foreign Secretary to imply that the fact of trade union membership poses any threat to national security. If there are or may be problems of any sort the Foreign Secretary should spell out what they are and discuss them with unions concerned, not jump to the most extreme "The offer of a tame, state-

controlled union, backed up by leaders of the civil service to the right of genuine trade

he said: "This decision by the Foreign Secretary, made with-deadline of March 1 for GCHQ out consultation or advance employees to accewpt the exnotice to unions whatsoever, is gratia payments.



Duet with grandmother: Dame Joan Sutherland entertaining her granddaughter Natasha Bonynge, aged 8½ months, at rehearsal for the Australian Opera's production of Adriana Lecouvreur at the Sydney Opera House.

Renewed blizzards forecast

Coutinued from page 1 were all open, although many minor roads were still impass-

The M62 was the only route open across the Pennines, and motorists endured seven-mile

traffic jams.

Mr George Younger, Sec-retary of State for Scotland, yesterday praised the work of the emergency services, helicopter crews and mountain rescue teams. However, last night it was fearred that much of the hard work of the past two days to open roads and restore power to thousands of homes could be undone by the expected blizzards.

 In Bingley, West Yorkshire. Police Constable Vincent Clements jumped into an icy canal to rescue a drowning dog.

Weekend whiteout, page 2

Optimism imbues Reagan message for nation

Continued from page 1 in the country's tax system if he

The only significant new initiative in his speech would be an announcement of plans to launch a permanent orbiting space station early in the 1990's.

Yesterday's address came four days before Mr Reagan was to make his long-awaited formal declaration of his candidacy for reelection in November. His declaration will be made in a five-mionte nation-wide television broadcast on Sunday night.

His reelection ambitions have been given a new boost by a New York Times - CBS News poll which showed him having a considerable lead over the two front-runners for the Democratic presidential nomination. Mr Walter Mondale and Senator John Glenn. Much of this approval is based

on the current economic recovery. The poll showed that the

public regards his handling of the economy as approvingly now as they did in April, 1981, when he was still enjoying his post-election

However, the poll also shows that foreign policy issues are becoming as important in the public's assessment of mr Reagan's performance as economic issues. Public approval of his administration's foreign policies is less strong, particulariy over Lebanon.

The New York Times - CBS poll showed that Lebanon is potentially the most dangerous issue for the White House. The survey found that 49 per cent of those questioned felt US Marines should be palled out of Lebanon as against 38 per cent who felt they should remain.

A majority of respondents also feit Mr Reagan "should try harder" to reach arms agreements with the Soviet Union.

Video MP confident of success

Mr Graham Bright, sponsor of the "video nasties" Bill, yesterday said he was confident of resisting an amendment, banning from homes those videos restricted to adult cinema clubs, after the com-mittee debating the Bill ran out of time. The amendment is supported

by Mrs Thatcher. MPs will have to wait

mother week before knowing whether the Prime Minister has won the first round in her battle to ban pornographic videos. As it stands, the Bill bans

videos showing gross violence and sexual perversion. Mr Bright, Tory MP for

Luton South, after hearing speeches supporting him from all parties said: "I have always been confident that we will just about do it, and now I think we

Israel makes 2,000 enemies in just half an hour

through the front room and bringing down the back roof on a pile of children's toys.

The buildozer's tracks can wapons.

still be seen running through what had been the Shaikh's drawing room and the villagers have piled some of his broken furniture and crockery in the rubble. Over the ruins, they have also draped a large Islamic banner containing a message for the Israelis, a series of angry, violent quotations from the Koran.

According to the Israelis the Shaikh, who is 27, was arrested and his house destroyed becaude he was "suspected of terrorist activities". They will not specify what these activites are supposed to be. Nor will they reveal where they have imprisoned him. But in the 30 minutes that the villagers say it took the buildozer to smash the house last Saturday, the Israelis turned 2,000 people into implacable enemies.
The Government in Israel

insists that it wants the Shia Muslims of southern Lebanon as its friends but the inhabi-tants of Hallousiyeh have been burning tyres on the approach roads to their village and yesterday were holding a noisy demonstration in the Shaikh's

It was a classic example of how an occuaption army can turn its own life into a nightmare by embittering the very people it needs to have as

In Shaikh Harb's absence, the spiritual welfare - and no doubt the political opinions of his people are in the hands of Shaikh Adel Mowanis, aged 25, an unsmiling man with a narrow, ascetic face and a carefully groomed beard. Fort under fire

from guerrillas "The Israelis brought in a large force of men and a

helicopter on Saturday before Israel's 1982 invasion bouse," he said. "They tried to and originally had welcomed the Israeli Army. Yesterday at the Israeli Army. Yesterday at willness in the helicopter on Saturday and take him away but the women here attacked the Israelis and screamed at them. But the area had witnessed demon-Israelis took him by force to strations against the Israelis the helicopter and all the and a burnt out car and rocks women began screaming: 'Alla-blocked the main road into women began screaming: 'Alla-blocked the hu Akhbar' (God is great). The Hallousiyeh. Israelis are against anyone who

non. - The Israelis used a reveal exactly what Shaikh bulldozer to destroy Shaikh Harb did preach, nor was he Abass Harb's home. They exactly forthcoming about drove it in from the little road every circumstance of the near the mosque, smashing arrest. One villager, for through the front room and example, claimed that the bringing down the back roof on Israelis had openly accused Shaikh Harb of possessing

What the Israelis will not say - presumably through some security fear - is that an Israeli Army fortress at Maroub on a hilltop a mile from Hallousiveh is coming under fire from Guerrillas every two weeks and that the shots appear to come from the direction of Shaikh Harb's village.

Whether or not this warranted the confrontation that followed, however, is another matter. According to Shaikh Mowanis, the villagers threw stones at the Israeli troops and vehicles at Hallowusiyeh after Shaikh Harb's arrest "Our people stood in front of the Israeli Vehicles," he said. "The soldiers started shooting in the air and drove our people to the other side of the village."

On Sunday, Shaikh Harb was flown back to Hallousiyeh. "His face did not look nor-mal," Shaikh Mowanis contiqued, "He did not have his turban on and his hands were swollen. The Israelis were holding him by the shoulders . .

. They told him to call the names of five people to come forward so that they could arrest them, and they did. Then they took them all away in two helicopters. Only God knows where they are,"

Major Zeev Nathan, the Israeli Army spokesman in southern Lebanon would not say how long the Israelis intended to hold Shaikh Harb. Asked under what law the Israelis had destroyd the Shaikh's home in Lebanon without any form of judicial hearing he replied - after putting the same question to his headquarters in Tel Aviv that he did not know.

Ironically, the people of Hallousiyeh had opposed the Palestinian guerrilla presence in south Lebanon in the years least a dozen villages in the

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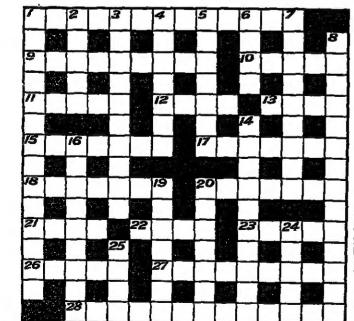
ton, Nr Devizes, Wilts, 7.30. Talks, lectures

"The brain - biology's biggest challenge, by Prof Colin Blakemore, Royal Scottish Museum, Chambers St. Ediaburgh, 7.

Exhibitions in progress The Art of Etching, E. S. Lumsden 1883-1948, Maclaurin Art Gallery, Rozelle Park, Ayr' Mon to Sat 11 to 5, closed Sun (ends Feb

Elgar - his homes and his music", by Dr William Reed, Bolton Central Library, 7.

Bournemouth Sinfonietta concert The Times Crossword Puzzle No 16,345



ACROSS

1 Reformation in the air - it came without E Napier, for example 9 Case about extended opening in pub lasting three years (9).

10 Noble Bruce sometimes gets a game (5).

11 Stanley's pattern of current brass-hat (5).

12 Go back in the morning for these old characters (4). 13 She featured in a strip cartoon,

naturally (4). 15 Protective cap does not prevent the limb being broken (7).

17 Real trouble with party member

18 He provides vehicle to carry new tree (7). 20 Freudian consultant said to be

compiler of records . . . (7).

21 . . . reiating to what certain reactions reveal (2,2).

22 The advantage, for example, of French backing (4).

23 Mournful – that's Miss Thompson (5) son (5). 26 Cockney draper got out of bed?

(5).
27 Excludes, for tack of space, many new words not in fashion (6,3). 28 Part of New York's Conserva-tive - good show! (4,4,5).

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2 Parliament taken aback when go over long tale of woe (5). Wheeler's route-guides (10).

deep confusion (7). name for a house of this

6 Holly - the Italian's late wife (4). Horse-doctor lay in wretchestate - tight! (9). 8 In Lent, perhaps, it upset Letty North at times (14). 14 Attacks women vulgarly over

side-issue (10). Meeting envisaged about intra duction of tugs on East Rive epares to publish what

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at Dauntsey's School, West Laving- British Studio Glass, Glasgow Art Gallery and Museum, Kelvingrove, French painting; Observers of

man, anthropological photography: 35 artists printmaking three exhibitions at Museum of Modern Art. 30 Pembroke Street, Oxford Tues-Sat 10 to 5, Sun 2 to 5, closed Mon (ends Mar 25).

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Arts Clubs Exhibition, Cliffe Castle, Spring Gardens Lane, Keighly: Tues to Sun 10 to 5, closed Mon (ends Feb 19).

Private Views; Victoria Art Gallery, Bridge Street, Bath; Mon-Fri 10 to 6, Sat 10 to 5, closed Sun (ends Feb 25).

The story of the Artists Inter-national Association 1933-1953, Fruitmarket Gallery, 29 Market Street, Edinburgh; Mon-Sat 10 to 30, closed Sun (ends Feb 25).

Parliament today

Commons (2:30): Debate on White Paper on developments in the EEC, January to June, 1983. Lords (3): Restrictive Trade Practices (Stock Exchange) Bill, third reading. Cable and Broadcast-ing Bill, committee, second day.

The markets

Retail Price Index: 342.8 London: The FT Index closed 15.6 at 840.5.

Anniversaries

Douglas MacArthur, Allied commander in the South Pacific in the Second World War and in the Korean War, from which post he was dismissed by Truman in 1951; born Little Rock, Arkansas, USA, 1880. Deaths: Edward Jenner, discover of vaccination, Berkeley, Gloucestershire, 1823; Charles Today is the Feast of Saints

Imothy and Titus. Both were disciples and companions of St discaples and companions of Si.
Paul, who addresses them in the
Pastoral Epistles. Timothy represented the Apostle in
Thessalonica, Corinth and at Thessalonica, Corinth and at Ephesus, where he was martyred for opposing pagan rights. Titus was responsible for the organizing of the Church in Crete.

Golf championship

The Nigerian Open Golf Cham-ionship, worth \$186,000, will go head as planned from February 23-26 despite the military coup on New Year's Eve, tournament officials say. A record first prize of \$30,600 will be offered in black Africa's richest proament which attracts many tournament which attracts many top Euroan golfers. The Association of Tennis Professionals (ATP) has cancelled its three tournaments in Nigeria this year because of the

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A number of items normally included in *The Times* Information Service are missing from today's

New books - paperback

The Literary Editor's selection of intersting books published this week:
Beijing Street Voices, the poetry and politics of China's Democracy Movement, by
David Goodman (Marion Boyars, £5.95)
Frebird 2, anthology of new flotion edited by Robin Robertson (Penguin, £3.50)
Love in Winter, by Storm Jameson (Virago, £3.95)
Modern Moral Philosophy, by W. D. Huson (Macmillan, £5.95)
None Turn Beck, by Storm Jamesonn (Virago, £3.50)
Pluto's Republic, by Peter Medawar (Oxford, £4.95)
Sabbatical, fiction, by John Barth (Granads, £2.50)
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Stong-Minded Woman, and other lost voices from 18th-century England, edited by
Janet Horowitz Murray (Penguin, £7.95)
The Monkey King, fiction, by Timothy Mo (Abacus, £2.76)
The Regrets, by Joschim Du Bellay, translated by C. H. Sisson (Carcanst, £4.50)

The papers

Spain's leading newspaper, El Pais, says that reported British concessions to China over Hong-kong would make a mockery of London's continued refusal to negotiate the sovereignty of Gibral-tar. Britain had effectively deprived tar. Britain and effectively deprived itself of arguments for keeping its offshore colony by agreeing to surrender the sovereignty of Hongkong against the wishes of its inhabitants and when it still had a legal claim to at least some of the territory, the paper claims. "In Hongkong, London has renounced riougating, London has rendunced exactly those two fundamental arguments which it is using to deny Spain sovereignty over Gibraltar. This constitutes new proof that Britain's antitude to Gibraltar is not only attrictly prescribed but in the only ethically untenable but is also lacking in the most basic political logic," El Pais comments. Britain, which has held Gibraltar since 1704, says it cannot hand the Rock back

The New York Times says that President Reagan, ashamed to appear callous about lending a hand

o Spain against the wishes of its nhabitants, who are mostly of

appear callous about lending a hand to the world's poor, blames a dearth of Congressional support for its decision to cut by a quarter, its quota of \$1,000m a year for the International Development Association. The paper points out that the shortfall gives other donor nations an excuse for shaving their contributions too, thus compounding the loss to the IDA, the World Bank's special agency for long-term, no-interest loans to the potrest countries. Now a new American excuse – duplication – is offered to excuse - duplication - is offered to justify breaking a pledge to the smaller International Fund for Agricultural Development. The smaller International Fund for Agricultural Development. The United States had promised \$180m over three years, but both the Freasury and Budget Office want to give nothing. "It was self-interest and not just altruism that led Americans to contribute a 1982 total of £1,000m to the United Nations and its special funds, not including the IDA", the paper comments.

"Yet a Swedish study finds that in per capita terms, the US ranked only eighteenth among contributors, giving \$4.36 compared with Norway's top-ranking \$37.83. Trailing even further behind, in fifty-ninth place, was the Soviet Union whose \$161m amounted to a miserly 60 cents per citizen. That from a nation that proclaims itself the natural ally of the world's poor. Here, surely, is that proclaims itself the natural ally of the world's poor. Here, surely, is an opportunity for Americans to expose Soviet penury in ways that hurt. But by cutting back on the IDA and threatening the IFAD, 'Uncle Cheap' is in a poor position. columns. This is because of a strike by clerical members of the Sogat '82 union. We apologize for the

Roads Wales and West: A361: Single ne traffic in Trowbridge High lane traffic in Trowbridge High Street; temporary signals. M5: Land

closures north and southbound between junction 8 and 9. M4: Lane closures for bridge inspection and repair between junction 21 and unction 22 across Severn Bridge; ooth carriageways affected. Midlands: A34: Roadworks south of Shipston on Stoar at Tidmington, Warwickshire; delays. A456: Lane

restrictions and closures between Hagley and Halesowen, A14: Lane closures at Huntingdon bypass. A45: Lane closures on Cambridge North: A628: Improvement work to Thurlestone River bridge, south Yorkshire; single lane traffic controlled by traffic signals. A648: Traffic lights at Kellingley. A579: Bolton Road, Atherton, closed from junction with Old Bolton Road to Paleton bounders.

Bolton boundary.
Scotland: All roadworks suspended in Scotland pending improvement in weather situation. Information supplied by AA

Th AA point out the hidden bazard of black ice, which is covering roads across the entire country. Worst affected are southern roads particularly the A3 London to Portsmouth Road. In Hampshire police had to close the outside lanes on both carriageways of the M3 when the risk of accidents

National Days

Republic Day in India recalls January 26 1950, when the new Republican Constitution came into force and the Viceroy was replaced by a President. The British administration had withdrawn three veget entire after thing ladio for vears earlier after ruling India for almost 200 years. From 1947 until 1964 the country was ruled by Prime Minister Pandit Jawaharlal Nehru and he was succeeded by Lal Bahadur Shastri. Since 1966 the Prime Minister has been Mrs India Gandhi, except between 1977 and 1980 when her Congress Pary was

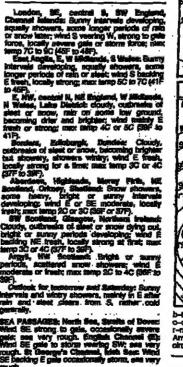
1980 when her Congress Pary was ousted by the Janata party.

Australia Day will this year be celebrated by a public holiday on Monday, January 30, On January 26 1788, the colony of New South Wales was founded by Captain Arthur Phillip at Port Jackson, later renamed Sydney. Under his command were 11 ships carrying 717 convicts, and over the next 80 years some 155,000 convicts were transsome 155,000 convicts were trans ported to the Australian colonies from Britain. Since 1901 Australia has been a federal commonwealth ruled in theory by the sovereign through the Governor General,

Weather forecast

A frontal trough over central Britain will move slowly southwards as a deep depression moves eastwards across Southern England.

6am to midnight

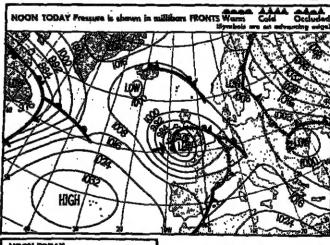


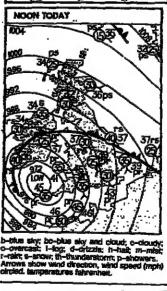
Moon ris 1.58 am New Moon February 1, Lighting-up time

London 5.08 pm to 7.17 am Bristol 5.18 pm to 7.27 am Edinburgh 5.20 pm to 7.48 am Manchester 5.09 pm to 7.33 am Penzance 5.35 pm to 7.34 sm Yesterday

London

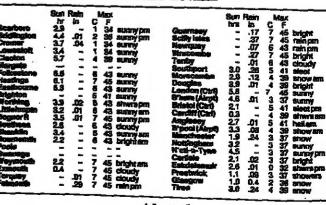
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